REVIEWS COKE TRADE WEEKLY.

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## COKE TRADE GOOD; PRICES ARE FIRM.

### Is Generally Believed That $2.90 Will Continue the Quotation.

### LARGE INCREASE IN PRODUCTION

Heavy Gain in Shipments During the Week and Operators Are Endeavoring to Make Capacity—Labor Shortage and Unsettled Conditions Prevail.

**THE STATISTICS SUMMARIZED.**

**PRODUCTION.**

For the week ending Saturday October 2 1909

| Districts | Ovens | In | Out | Tons |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| C'ville | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| L. C'ville | 11,479 | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| Totals | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |

Manufactured by

| District | Consumer | Market |
|---|---|---|
| Connellsville | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| L. Connellsville | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| Totals | [illegible] | [illegible] |

Production Previous Week

| Districts. | Ovens | In | Out | Tons |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| C'ville | 24,557 | 21,651 | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| L. C'ville | 14,119 | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| Totals | 38,674 | [illegible] | 4,552 | [illegible] |

Manufactured by

| District | Consumer | Market |
|---|---|---|
| Connellsville | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| L. Connellsville | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| Totals | [illegible] | [illegible] |

SHIPMENTS

Aggregate from both regions in cars for the week ending October 2 1909

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| To Pittsburg | [illegible] |
| West of Pittsburg | [illegible] |
| East of Connellsville | 905 |
| Total | 14,758 |

Shipments Previous Week

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|---|---|
| To Pittsburg | 5,067 |
| West of Pittsburg | 5,888 |
| East of Connellsville | 845 |
| Total | [illegible] |

[For complete tables of ovens in blast in both regions see pages 3 and 5.]

Coke production and shipments made a healthy gain last week moving up to 442,326 tons as compared to the week previous a gain of over 14,000 tons. The gain in shipments was remarkable being 783 cars over the previous week. One new plant was reported fired during the week, the Katherine plant of the Union Connellsville Coke Company. Only one plant dropped ovens during the week that being the Grace plant of the W. J. Rainey.

Conditions during the week remained practically the same. The labor problem continues to be one of the most distracting. There are large numbers of men but they are migratory and a plant may have enough workmen to operate to capacity one day and the next day be short of workmen. Operators blame the drink evil for this condition of affairs. They say that under the present conditions where a large number of men are housed together it is customary for some of the men to be off all the time. As one operator put it tersely: "They have so many holidays of their own now and they take all of ours and then with a christening and a wedding thrown in once in a while it is a hard matter to keep up an effective working system. If we expect to get anything done some kind of regulation must be formulated to keep these foreigners on a steady working basis." It is generally believed that conditions will grow better as the families of the foreigners arrive and they settle down with them in the houses. Many of the foreigners returned to America without their families and began boarding in the big houses but with the arrival of their wives and children better conditions are noted. The continuous arrival of others will also help the situation and make it worth while for men to hold their places permanently at the coke works.

Even with the heavy shipments of coke last week the car supply was excellent on all roads. Owing to lack of motive power the Baltimore & Ohio is being able to maintain an enormous tonnage, although it was compelled to give up some business during the week. The Chicago trade from the Leckrone district was turned over to the Pennsylvania while some of the trade from other plants was also given up. The company is now handling a tremendous amount of through freight from the west and its lines are becoming congested due principally to its lack of motive power. Every engine it has is in service and the men are making the limit of time.

The water question is no longer troublesome to the operators. Reservoirs have been filled, the mountain streams have been replenished by the heavy rains that have swept over the district during the past few weeks. There is an abundant supply everywhere.

The price question is still a live one but the market is showing signs of softening although there is no indication that the prices will be lowered. The boat movement has apparently subsided and a practical basis of $2.90 furnace, established for the balance of the year. This quotation holds out both with the buyers and sellers and seems to be the maximum although some higher quotations are reported. It may be possible that a $3.00 rate will prevail before the first of the year but the $2.90 figure looks good to the majority of the operators. The same quotations of last week hold good and it is believed that no late contracts covering the balance of the year have been made for less. They are:

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| First class furnace | $2.90@3.00 |
| First class foundry | [illegible] |

The demand for foundry coke at the present time is light. It can be picked up in odd lots from time to time where operators are compelled to allow their ovens to burn more than the regular time owing to the impossibility of getting men to draw them. A few small operators have started in to manufacture straight 72 hour coke but this is on contract and the output is limited.

One noticeable feature of the week was the inroads made by the H. C. Frick Coke Company upon the piles of stock. While buying on contract from independents the company has been operating to 90 per cent and in some instances bettered its capacity. Coke is being shipped to old plants to be coked but the stores of stock on the yards were not cut in upon until last week. During the week many cars were loaded and sent out with this grade of coke which although looking slightly black on top is still the high grade of Connellsville coke. The indications are that the Steel Corporation is just beginning upon an enormous business career. The fact that the corporation has been a heavy buyer from independents with this large stock on the yards has been a mystery to operators generally and the heavy movement of stock last week was somewhat of a surprise as it was supposed with all the plants and old ones in operation that the corporation mills were getting a sufficient supply.

### COKE MARKET FIRM.

Sellers Are Holding Out For $2.90 For Balance of Year

Special to The Weekly Courier.

PITTSBURG, Oct. 28.—The coke market shows a firm tone all along the line, but somewhat less is heard of enthusiastic predictions of much higher prices for next year than those which have been ruling lately. Sellers however are very firm in their views on contracts for next year and resist all the wiles of furnacemen looking to getting a little concession from the $2.90 mark. In this respect they are firmer than they were about three weeks ago when two or three sellers weakened a trifle and let in some contracts at $2 or possibly 10 cents below the $2.90 figure which had already been done on several contracts.

A contract has just been made with a merchant furnace interest for its requirements over the first half at $2.90, between 10,000 and 12,000 tons monthly.

Prompt furnace coke is bringing $2.85 with considerable regularity, but the market is a little easier than a fortnight ago in that coke could probably be had through December at this figure.

Enquiry for foundry coke is more active and contracts are being made here and there for next year, at $2.75 to $3.50 for standard 72 hour foundry coke. Transactions thus far have been for relatively small lots, however. A number of large consumers have contracts made five or six months ago and running to July 1 next. Prompt furnace coke is generally quoted at $2.75 to $3.

The pig iron market has become still quieter than it was and may even be considered dull. There is some inquiry but sales are light. The heavy business in Bessemer iron has been done for months to come while in foundry iron it is pretty well understood that the buying of the past few months represented a bigger tonnage than the foundries are likely to melt. They bought pretty liberally because furnaces asking prices for later delivery and it was more profitable for foundries to engage to take the iron in over the next few months, than to buy for the later delivery, so that the prospect is for a rather quiet pig iron market.

### BIG B. & O. ORDERS

Nearly 5,000 New Cars Will Be Added to Rolling Stock

BALTIMORE, Md., Oct. 23.—(Special.)—In addition to the order for 50 more of the heaviest type freight locomotives placed last week with the American Locomotive Company, the Baltimore & Ohio Board of Directors at its last meeting authorized the immediate ordering of 2,600 steel hoppers and 1,000 steel underframe box cars.

Six millions of dollars will be the disbursement called for in increasing the orders not long ago placed for new equipment such now totalling 110 locomotives, 2,500 box cars, 1,000 gondola cars, 500 refrigerator cars, 2,000 coke cars and 4,000 hopper cars.

## A BREWERY MERGER IN FAYETTE COUNTY.

### Quiet Plan to Consolidate the Nine Independent Plants Under Way.

### $10,000,000 RUMORED PRICE

Corporation Would Operate Separately But Would Be Controlled by the Pittsburg Brewing Company—Coke and Hotel Men Are Interested.

The coke merger may be dead but the brewers merger is still alive and it is stated that those interested are hard at work upon it. It is reported that plans have been laid by which all of the nine breweries in Fayette county are to be consolidated forming a corporation on a working basis of their own but to be controlled by the Pittsburg Brewing Company. The rumored price to be paid over for these breweries is over $10,000,000 and it may possibly be in excess of this before the merger is completed.

The present idea is to merge the earnings of the nine breweries to keep them separate from those of the Pittsburg Brewing Company but to operate upon a more economical plan and also to control the sale of goods and prices on a better basis. Breweries in certain districts selling only to persons living in that district thus eliminating freight rates and cost of production of ice as well as labor. In other words beer drinkers would have to cultivate a taste for the brand of beer the breweries furnish or journey to the district of the brewery in the county they are partial to. There are many other elements that enter into the combination whereby profits can be increased.

Besides the brewery men the hotel men and the coke operators are interested in the merger. The coke operators have declared against the wholesale delivery of beer at their works. One prominent coke operator favors more hotels or drinking places which would eliminate the wagons and the agents for the breweries but it would increase the number of hotels. This operator sums the matter up in this way:

"There is a mistaken idea of what we want done with the liquor traffic at the coke works. We don't want to keep the men from getting their beer, what we want is a drinking place or hotel in certain districts where the men can go and get a drink if they want it. What we want to exclude is the delivery of kegs and barrels and cases of beer. It is a well known fact that if for goers have a keg of beer more than they want they will drink it in order to keep it from spoiling. If we had drinking places in the large coke towns or in certain districts we would have more sobriety."

With the brewery merger accomplished this may be brought about, but the question still remains will it be satisfactory to the hotel men now in business.

### TAPS RICH SECTION.

Pennsylvanians Interested in New West Virginian Line

Recently there was incorporated under the laws of West Virginia the Pocahontas Connecting railway, a short railroad which will open and develop one of the richest tracts of coal land to be found in southern West Virginia.

This new feeder will be constructed from Gatesville, Raleigh county, back into that mountainous section of Raleigh where million of tons of coal high in thermal units and low in ash await development and transportation by rail.

The new connecting line will emphasize the advantages accruing to West Virginia from the construction and completion of the Virginian railway, and the new feeder tapping one of the richest undeveloped portions of the State will feel the new trunk line with West Virginia coal.

Railroad construction in Raleigh county surpasses at present construction in any other division of the State and the construction of this new industrial line will mean much to Raleigh county for prosperous towns and communities will follow in the wake of the new line and where today there is barely nothing but barren mountains tacks will soon be bustling and thriving communities.

The mountainous section of Raleigh county lying west of Paint Creek and covering the headwaters of Coal river include the largest coal seam development known throughout the Appalachian range but the amount of development which follows the construction of a transportation line into a hitherto undeveloped section can hardly be forecasted.

Pennsylvania capitalists are behind this new road which when completed will tap an exceedingly rich section of Raleigh county's coal deposits.

### THE METAL MARKET.

Has Drifted Into a Decided Lull and Quietness Prevails

Special to The Weekly Courier.

NEW YORK, Oct. 28.—The American Metal Market and Daily Iron and Steel Report says:

The iron and steel market has drifted into a decided lull the quietness which has began to manifest itself a week ago having become still more pronounced. An exception should be made of railroad buying, which seems to have set in definitely. All indications point to a quiet period for months to come. Mills will keep the steel ingot plant going for an average of six months at a fair percentage of capacity. This is about [illegible] of full capacity and would be [illegible] of labor difficulties, a shortage of labor being more of a factor than an influence in the situation, although there is some difficulty on that score. Railroads are pressing for deliveries as fast as possible and more extensive business is in sight.

On the other hand all finished steel products the mill facilities of the country are fully equipped to handle the business that may come in the current year and to do so in a satisfactory way, on the basis of [illegible] and now [illegible] of steel mills [illegible] the same is true of the merchant blast furnaces. Thus [illegible] the biggest [illegible] in the history of the industry.

[illegible] would be [illegible] of the [illegible] the [illegible] their output to the mills [illegible] more ton [illegible] bars this side [illegible] to support [illegible] prices.

The iron ore business [illegible] all [illegible] prices are firm but [illegible] tendency [illegible] quotations may be expected [illegible] than [illegible] assume [illegible] form.

## BUILDINGS ERECTED OF COKE CINDERS.

### An Experiment That Has Proven a Success in West Virginia.

### ARE MIXED WITH CEMENT

Large Sized Bricks Are Produced and Houses and Stables Erected From Them—Claimed They Will Last Forever—Operators Interested.

A new and novel use has been found for cinders. In the Wise county district where the manufacture of coke has just begun the growing cinder piles were the source of great annoyance and many wise heads thought over the problem of putting them to some use. Col. James E. Jones of Bluefield, W. Va., hit upon the most novel plan one that may be of great interest to the coke operators of the Connellsville region where there are millions of tons of coke coal is upon the yards of the many operators and where they are constantly increasing.

The Bluefield Telegraph tells of the use made of them as follows:

"An idea has been found for coke cinders. Col. James E. Jones has solved the problem of how to dispose of the bills in connection of this refuse. He has tried successfully the experiment of making a large brick from coke and mixed with cement and with the product has constructed a large stable. This building is 77x150 feet and two and a half stories high. It contains stalls for 108 mules and storage for [illegible] carloads of feed. It has every convenience for handling the feed and mixing for the stock. Three cars [illegible] unloaded at one time and there are conveniences at hand making it possible for one man to do the work that formerly required five.

"Col. Jones has also built a number of dwelling houses for miners out of the same material and it is said these houses are far superior to those built of lumber, cooler in summer and warmer in winter. They are also very substantial and in appearance look as if they would stand as long as the coal deposits will last and outlast time. The building mixes are roofed with tile and the entire structure is so near perfection in the production that it is no longer a question of no longer necessity. Other operators are interested in the matter and there is little doubt but that there will be much building in which the coke block will be used."

### OUTLET TO SEABOARD

Coal Purchased by J. V. Thompson Renews Old Rumors

Since the return of J. V. Thompson from West Virginia where a purchase of 2,000 acres of coal was made in Marion county the rumor of a new outlet to the seaboard has been renewed.

The rumored line will extend along the Monongahela valley through Marion and Harrison counties, W. Va., to a connection with the Kanawha & Michigan and the Virginia railroads. This will give an outlet to both the Atlantic seaboard and the Great Lakes. More than 21,000 acres of coal land in Marion and Harrison counties are held by Mr. Thompson and associates.

## MITCHELL COKE COMPANY FORMED.

### T. J. Mitchell of Rainey Interests Heads New Concern

### TO COKE KENTUCKY COAL

Will Build Ovens and Develop the Property of the Big Sandy Company—Important Move Toward the Opening Up of a New Territory.

A few weeks ago Albert Phenis New York correspondent of the Manufacturers Record accompanied by officials of the Big Sandy Coal Company and coke operators of the Connellsville region made a trip through this section. They visited the Royal works of W. J. Rainey and inspected the new style Mitchell oven. Mr. Phenis in writing of his visit announces the selection of Thomas J. Mitchell as president of the Mitchell Coke Company which will develop a large acreage of Kentucky coal land. He says:

T. J. Mitchell for many years head of the W. J. Rainey coke interests of the Connellsville region, and the Frick Company, the largest coke producer in the United States after thorough investigation is to be remembered by the Elkhorn coal of eastern Kentucky has taken the presidency of the Mitchell Coke Company which he and his associates have organized for building coke ovens on the property of the Big Sandy Company. [illegible] permit of mining 100,000 acres in the heart of the Elkhorn coal field.

No more important move looking to the broad development of the coke interests of the country has been made for many years. It is not simply the beginning of a local development of what is today by many experts regarded as the finest coking field in America, but it means the opening up of a strategic situation in coke making of the most far reaching importance to the whole iron and steel industry of the country. The Mr. Mitchell with a series of bond issues for the Connellsville field has decided to identify himself with the development of the Elkhorn field. In connection with plans now being formulated is a tribute to the coking coal to rival comparable in importance to the tribute paid to the Alabama iron ore field when the United States Steel Corporation locked its faith in that district by the purchase of the iron ore properties. The beginning of the development of the Elkhorn field by the new Mitchell company will concentrate the attention of the iron and steel industry and people upon the potentialities of the district destined it would seem to be the metallurgical centre of the country, what the Connellsville field has been in the past. In describing the situation Mr. Mitchell says:

"It is well known to those familiar with the coke interests of the country that the Connellsville field with its 10,000 coke ovens is rapidly being exhausted. I have on the value of coal property in this district increased from a nominal figure until it is now worth $3,000 an acre and in some cases it is held at even higher figures. This is due to the close proximity of this field to the Pittsburg iron and steel centre but also to the universally recognized superiority of Connellsville coke over any other coke produced in the United States. After a very thorough investigation I have reached the conclusion that the Elkhorn coal of eastern Kentucky produces a coke superior to the Connellsville.

"This is not a new conviction. Six years ago I investigated the field for the Merritts who were then owners of the Mesabi iron range. They were then negotiating for its purchase with a view to its development in connection with the Mesabi district. Had they been able to do these two properties together they would have owned a combination of ore and coking coal greater than that now controlled by the steel corporation. In the panic of 1893 however they lost the control of the Mesabi properties. John D. Rockefeller becoming possessed of their Mesabi holdings and of course that made it impossible for them to carry out purchases of the Elkhorn field.

"My opinion of the property was expressed then in a letter written to the Merritts representatives as follows:

Connellsville, Pa.

R. N. Dickman, Esq.
Cleveland, O.

Dear Sir:—I have forwarded you today by express samples of coke made from coal taken from the Ash Camp opening of the Elkhorn vein in Pike county, Kentucky, being the opening I recently visited. In company with you this sample of coke was made last winter at the Leisenring coke works of W. J. Rainey near Connellsville. The coal was subjected to the regular coking process in an ordinary beehive oven the same used throughout the Connellsville region. The quantity of coal found bed was only sufficient for an ordinary 48 hour charge.

"Taking into consideration that the coal was mined and taken from the outcrop near the surface of the ground and the result of the test is remarkably good as the coal in this section never cokes so well when taken from near the crop.

"Several old coke manufacturers who saw the coke when drawn from the oven pronounced it excellent. It possesses in a marked degree, as you will observe, the characteristics of our best Connellsville coke, being bright, heavy and strong with an open cellular structure.

"The foundry test made by one of the oldest foundrymen here bears out the fact of the superior qualities when tested in a cupola. We buy our best and most select coke for foundry use throughout the country and it is considered that coke which will give good results in a foundry test will work well in a blast furnace. The cost of mining this coal from the Kentucky field would be very reasonable as compared with the cost of mining here the expense of lifting the water from our pits being in excess of that of hoisting the coal. There are a few mines here self draining on account of the heavy incline or dip to the east and as the east rapidly recedes below water level. The Pike county coal will lie entirely above water level and will require no pumping machinery.

"As you are no doubt aware the extent of the Connellsville coal basin is usually regarded as being about 70,000 acres. I was recently called upon to examine a tract of 1,000 acres of Connellsville coal that was sold for $[illegible] per acre. I have known sales of very recently of smaller tracts at $1,000 per acre.

Very truly yours,
T. J. MITCHELL.

"The Boston capitalists who held the property at that time have been wise enough to recognize its future value to hold it until the present time and it thus put in a position to secure the profit that will come from the development of such a tract as the 100,000 acres of the Big Sandy Company.

"Recently I have made additional investigations of the Elkhorn coal for coking purposes and have brought a number of visitors to this section of the country to put in every possible test of coke in kind. These investigations have fully confirmed the statements made in a letter to the representatives of the Merritts in 1893.

"Realizing as I do the importance of the Elkhorn field and the vast development of the iron and steel industry in this country that is to come, I have felt the urgent need of a low sulphur coke. I am happy to join in the development of the Big Sandy property and have taken the presidency of the Mitchell Coke Company and have formed a company which will take over several coal properties and development in the Elkhorn and will immediately begin building of coke ovens.

"Considering the marvelous development of the iron and steel works of this country in the world and bearing this in mind that we must provide within the years a coke supply certainly more than double that of today—for no plant built now will double within the time—I cannot see why the Elkhorn district will not show a rate of rapid growth than has ever been seen in the Connellsville field and why the best of that coal field shall not fully equal in value per acre the prices of the Connellsville field. Now I regard the 100,000 acres as valuable as in the Connellsville field as too far. Why should not eastern Kentucky with a superior coking coal see a fulfillment of such conditions? The signs of the times indicate that the next ten years will show the most marvelous production and growth known in iron and steel. In fact the iron is my faith in the coming supremacy of that district that I am putting my money into personally and making a study of the coke business into its development."

### SEVERAL BIG COAL SALES.

James Bell Heirs Sell 156 Acres at Over $400

WAYNESBURG, Oct. 26.—A big pile of valuable coal was made in Cumberland township this week the Pittsburg vein and the farm belonging to the James Bell estate being purchased by Stern brothers of Monontown at a price above $400 per acre. The farm contains 156 acres and the total consideration will be about $65,000. The heirs are Mrs. T. H. Hawkins and Mrs. Amelia Ruth of Minnehaha, John T. Bell of Rices Landing, Mrs. A. C. Price of Morgantown, Mrs. Anson Wright and Mrs. John Wright of DeSmet, South Dakota.

Noah S. Patterson made a sale this week of 112 acres of coal in Whitely township to Pittsburg parties at $[illegible] per acre, the total consideration being $[illegible]. The coal is jointly owned by Mr. Patterson and Spencer Kent of Waynesburg. It underlies the George W. Patterson and Frank Shriver tracts.

H. K. Bird, Esq., has sold two acres and 140 perches of coal in Monongahela township to Hon. S. L. Messmore, consideration $[illegible]. The latter has large coal interests in that locality.

Hon. J. L. Rush of Waynesburg, has sold to A. E. McCabe of Union town, 9 acres of coal in Richhill township, consideration $[illegible].

W. P. Ely, E. L. Denny and W. J. Kyle have purchased 24 acres of coal from Mrs. Anna Fordyce, Charles B. Fordyce and P. Corbly Fordyce in Gilmore township, consideration $21,176.46.

Charles B. Fordyce and P. C. Fordyce have purchased a one-fourth interest in two tracts of coal and surface in Gilmore township, containing 401 acres, from Doug Forrence, consideration $8,000.

### BEST EXCURSION YEAR

Railroad Officials Claim That More Tickets Were Sold During Year

That the summer season of 1909 has been the best for excursion travel in the past score of years is shown by the statements of railroad men who claim that more tickets were sold the past season to all points and that the gross earnings will be far in excess of any previous year. The week end excursions have been of great success from all standpoints and they have not yet been given up. The excursions to the seashore and lake resorts proved to be the most popular of all and they will again be in evidence next year on the same plan as heretofore and it is hardly likely that there will be any changes in the fare.

### BIG COLLIERY BURNS

Throwing 1,200 Men Out of Work Loss $125,000

SCRANTON, Oct. 26.—A disastrous fire last night destroyed the Sterrick Creek breakers Temple Iron Company, one of the biggest collieries in the anthracite region. Twelve hundred men are thrown out of work. The loss is estimated at $125,000.

## ROCKS BUYS OLD CHESTER PLANT.

### Deal Made With E. A. Humphries & Co. This Week.

### OPERATED QUARTER CENTURY

Entire Battery of 54 Ovens Will Be Operated by Coal From an Adjoining Tract—Has Six Plants Now and is Spending Upwards of $100,000.

A deal of considerable magnitude was closed yesterday when Francis Rocks president of the Sunshine Coal & Coke Company purchased outright of the E. A. Humphries Company the 54 ovens, all machinery and equipment at the Chester plant at Vances Mills. The plant is one of the oldest in the region having been in operation for more than a quarter of a century. The Humphries coal has been practically exhausted and the Sunshine Company made a purchase of coal lying near the Humphries tract. It was first proposed to erect a battery of new ovens to develop about 20 acres but after a consultation with the owners of the old ovens a deal was made for a large sum for the equipment.

Business was started with the signing of the papers Monday afternoon, the old company charging the ovens for the new concern and the first coke was shipped yesterday by the new management. The acquisition of this plant makes an even half dozen operations controlled by Mr. Rocks. In addition to the operations now being carried on by him 40 houses are being erected at Cyrilla plant at Lynn station preparatory to the erection of more ovens contractors are building more ovens at the Eleanor plant near Searights and 50 ovens are being erected at the Francis No. 1 plant near Martin station. Many improvements are being made at the latter plant preparatory to the development of 100 acres of coal lying back of the original tract. New tipples and other equipment will be installed and the improvements will approximate upwards of $100,000.

The old Chester plant purchased by him is one of the most noted in the region operating almost continually for more than a quarter of a century by the Humphries family. Thousands upon thousands of tons of coke have been made there and the prospect now is that it will run for many years longer.

### INSPECTORS' ORDERS.

Chief Roderick Calls Attention To Danger From Dust.

State Mine Inspectors are in receipt of the following letter from James E. Roderick, Chief of the Department of Mines touching upon floating coal dust and humidity of the air in splits:

Rule 60 of Article 20 provides that, "In mines where coal dust has accumulated to a dangerous extent care shall be exercised to prevent said dust from floating in the atmosphere, by sprinkling it with water, or otherwise as far as practicable." This rule is very brief but in my opinion you are given full power to demand that the dust shall not be allowed to float in the atmosphere of the mine.

If at any time you think a mine has become dangerous through the accumulation of coal dust or from any unlike quantity being allowed to float in the atmosphere, you are hereby directed to notify the mine foreman, superintendent or manager of the fact with a request that the matter be remedied at once. * * *

I hereby direct you to note the humidity of the air entering the several splits and that also at the place where the air is measured in each split. This you will do in all your inspections. If the condition of a mine is considered safe from explosions of coal dust during August and September you are directed to insist that the air in the winter or cold months be of the same humidity as in the summer months. * * *

### GREAT COAL TRACT

Being Bought by Jamisons in Marion County, W. Va.

FAIRMONT, W. Va., Oct. 25.—That in the near future one of the greatest coal plants in the world will be in operation in the Buffalo creek section is the prediction of Marion county boosters at present. The Jamisons of Greensburg, Pa., have invaded Marion county and besides putting in a plant above Barrackville, which will mine 1,500,000 tons per year they are fast getting hold of some of the best available coal in that section of the county.

Scarcely a week passes but what the county clerk is instructed to record a deed for coal land bought by the Jamisons with the consideration ranging anywhere from $25,000 to $100,000.

The last deed to be recorded was dated Tuesday, October 19, 1909, and filed with the clerk Saturday. The deed calls for slightly over 1,225 acres of nine foot Pittsburg coal on Dunkard Mill Run adjoining the holdings of the Georges Creek Company.

## CONNELLSVILLE REGION NOTES.

Ash Williams, of the Prothonotary's office, has purchased from David Bane trustee in bankruptcy in the estate of Luke Patterson, a half acre of coal in North Union township for $500. He has been offered several hundred dollars premium for his purchase.

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The Frick Company has placed in operation its mines at Filbert and Palmer. Neither of them have coke ovens but the coal is being shipped to the old Douglas plant along the Youghiogheny river and is being coked there. The plant was abandoned years ago when the coal was worked out but has been recently remodeled.

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Fred C. Keighley general manager of the Oliver & Snyder coke interests is on a two weeks' business and pleasure trip to New York.

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With the resumption of the mines all over the coke region the price of pit timber is climbing up. Several of the larger concerns have protected themselves by purchasing a large supply for their winter needs. Owing to the idleness of many mines for the past two years much of the timber has decayed and the stock on hand has been used up, and it is now necessary to replenish the timbering in the haulways and rooms. There is a great demand for this necessity and they are being quoted 8 ft first class posts at 12 and 13 cents, the price being contingent upon the destination. Operators are coming to the realization that it is no economy to buy cheap pit posts as they will not bear the burden and one single accident due to weak posts may wipe out the entire cost of the supports for a whole year. These accidents it is said are largely attributable to the use of old timbers.

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The Banning-Connellsville Coke Company of which R. W. Gilmore of Dunbar is the head was chartered at Harrisburg with a capitalization of $3,000,000.

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Segar Brothers of Lugonier were in the vicinity of Ruffsdale endeavoring it is reported to purchase the Freeport vein of coal there.

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John Ermine who was superintendent of the Monongahela railroad when it was constructed and opened but who is now a resident of Long Island is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Webb Barnette of Brownsville. He is accompanied by Mrs. Ermine.

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William Kelley river boss at the Diamond Mine Brownsville fell from the tipple which projects over the river into a flat boat recently, a broken shoulder and an injured back. He will recover.

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The Puritan Coke Company reports that workmen are plentiful in that district. Its close proximity to Uniontown makes it possible for the men to go backward and forward at will and it is a desirable location. Every oven is running full capacity.

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The Iron City Coal & Coke Company says that the demand for washed coke is strong. The company is one of the few independent operators with a crusher and does a solid business in this line.

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The Acheson plant of the Republic Iron & Steel Company will be fired in full as repairs are completed there. The company is now operating its ovens but the furnaces are demanding a greater supply of coke and it is necessary to get the remaining ovens in blast.

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The Union Connellsville Coke Company fired their Rathmine plant of 67 ovens during the week after drying them out with the exception of getting all ready for business during the present week or within the next ten days. It is an enterprise worth mentioning.

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The new 45,000,000 gallon reservoir of the Taylor Coke & Iron Company at their Seimantown plant is well under way and will be completed before cold weather. The officials of the company believe that it is better and more complete that the company will at all times be provided as not a water famine.

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John Griffin of the Cleveland Ohio plant of the American Sheet & Tin plate Company and formerly District Superintendent for Hostetter & Stemp at the new Scottdale plant of the Humbert mill when it opened in operation, W. H. Murdock will be chief. The latter is to visit the Scottdale plant at present. Both are local boys who have worked themselves into positions of responsibility.

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The Monongah Glass Company at Fairmont is building a big addition to its plant.

## OLD JIMTOWN WORKS MAY SOON RESUME

### Force of Men Reported Getting the Plant in Shape For Operation

Special to The Courier.

DAWSON, Oct. 26.—It is reported that the Jimtown works of the H. C. Frick Coke Company will be put in operation at once and a force of men is at work getting things in shape for it. The plant has not run for several years but used to be one of the booming works of this region many years ago when the late J. R. Laughrey had charge.

Comparatively little coal remains in the old mine to be taken out, but what is there makes high grade Connellsville coke.

## MAJOR DE SAULLES ON VISIT

### To the Coke Region After Absence of 20 Years.

Major A. B. de Saulles after an absence of over twenty years is visiting the Connellsville coke region again. He was formerly manager of the Dunbar furnace but for some years past has been interested in the zinc mines of Joplin, Mo. His headquarters for some years past however have been at South Bethlehem, Pa.

Major de Saulles was a prominent figure in Democratic politics in this county at one time having been a candidate for Congress. His personality was engaging and his popularity in proportion.

## NOTES FROM OTHER REGIONS.

Frank Gainer of Roscoe, Westmoreland county, will be a candidate for a member of the Executive Board of the United States Mine Workers for District No. 5.

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Fred Zipf & Company, Johnstown contractors, have completed concrete foundations for 45 houses at Jerome which the United Coal Company will build. Work will shortly begin on a stone and concrete office building and lamp house.

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Prices on coal lands in the district surrounding West Newton are stiffening. A proposition for option for coal under the Gaut farm in the line of the Youghiogheny branch of the Southwest Pennsylvania at $1,000 per acre has been turned down. An offer of $1,250 per acre for the 200 acres of Mrs. P. Moore is reported but the owner states that the coal is not on the market. The latter tract was purchased several years ago at from $70 to $100 per acre.

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The new trolley line between Herminie and Irwin by the Manor Valley Railway Company has been completed.

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It is reported that the Pennsylvania Railroad Company has appropriated $50,000 for the purpose of double tracking the Lewisburg & Tyrone division. The coal shipments over the road have been constantly increasing.

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Examinations for mine foremen are announced to be held at Hopkins, W. Va., October [illegible] and [illegible] by John Laing, Chief of the Bureau of Mines. A series of lectures preceded the examinations.

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Tony Lynch was held for court for stealing a coal wagon at the Hazel mine of the Fairmont Coal Company last week. Considerable of this thieving has been going on in the mines and the officials are making an effort to put a stop to it.

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A special bulletin has been issued from the Philadelphia office of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company allowing upon employes to be furnished as are moved promptly. The demand has been so great heretofore that last winter there has been difficulty in supplying them.

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Clarence Hall the explosive expert of the United States Geological Survey has been in the Pittsburg, W. Va. territory lecturing on explosives. Several meetings have been held in the Town Hall at which [illegible] have been largely attended. He explained the tests made at the Experiment Testing Station and endeavored to explain all matters in connection with safety explosives and their use. Six explosions of the tests were shown.

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The stockholders of the Chesapeake & Ohio Railroad Company have purchased additional line, the total mileage of which is 200 miles. The lines are the Coal River Railway of West Virginia, the Southwestern Railway of West Virginia and the Virginia Air Line Railway of Virginia. The present directors were elected. Directors are J. Depew, Edward Harriman, H. Pavey, [illegible] Thomas, Frank Trumbull and Frank A. Vanderlip.

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The American Sheet & Wire Company have awarded the American Bridge Company an extension for building ten more [illegible]. They will be completed shortly.

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It is expected that the new plant of the General Chemical Company at Newell, Fayette county, will be finished and in operation by [illegible]. It is now ready for the machinery.

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Truant officers in Washington county are endeavoring to place in the page out of the names of [illegible] announced that a number of parents will be arrested.

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A tract of 189 acres of land under lease with Pittsburg [illegible] has been proved up by drilling wells. In Washington county [illegible] public sale [illegible] to the Forest Home [illegible] this by M. F. Finn, Connellsville.

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It is conservatively estimated that the river this week [illegible] half a million dollars [illegible] coal and [illegible] for [illegible] per cent.

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Vincent Pearce [illegible] fell into a coal chute at the Fairmont No. [illegible] and was crushed to death.

## FREIGHT RATES

On Coke From the Connellsville Region as Quoted by Railroads

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|---|---|
| Pittsburg | [illegible] |
| Akron, O. | [illegible] |
| Bay City, Mich. | [illegible] |
| Niagara Falls, Ont. | [illegible] |
| Tonawanda, N. Y. | [illegible] |
| Toledo, O. | [illegible] |
| Chicago, Ill. | [illegible] |
| Joliet, Ill. | [illegible] |
| Chicago, Ill., when destined beyond | [illegible] |
| Canal Dover, O. | [illegible] |
| Chicago, Ill. | [illegible] |
| Chicago, the Calumet District | [illegible] |
| Cincinnati, O. | [illegible] |
| Cleveland | [illegible] |
| Columbus | [illegible] |
| Crestline | [illegible] |
| Dayton, O. | [illegible] |
| Detroit | [illegible] |
| East St. Louis, Ill. | [illegible] |
| Evansville, Ind. | [illegible] |
| Ft. Wayne, Ind. | [illegible] |
| Greensburg, Ind. | [illegible] |
| Indianapolis, Ind. | [illegible] |
| Mayville, Wis. | [illegible] |
| Milwaukee, Wis. | [illegible] |
| Muskegon, Mich. | [illegible] |
| Peoria, Ill. | [illegible] |
| Richmond, Ind. | [illegible] |
| Shawnee, O. | [illegible] |
| Terre Haute, Ind. | [illegible] |
| Wheeling, W. Va. | [illegible] |
| Oil City, Pa. | [illegible] |
| Buffalo, N. Y. | [illegible] |
| International Bridge, N. Y. | [illegible] |
| Suspension Bridge, N. Y. | [illegible] |
| Erie, Pa. | [illegible] |
| Shenango, Pa. | [illegible] |
| Harrisburg | [illegible] |
| South Amboy, N. J. | [illegible] |
| Montreal | [illegible] |
| Tonawanda, N. Y. | [illegible] |
| Buffalo, N. Y. | [illegible] |
| Boston | [illegible] |
| Portland, Me. | [illegible] |
| Newport, Vt. | [illegible] |
| Burlington, Vt. | [illegible] |

### Orde For Steel Barges

The American Steel & Wire Company has awarded to the American Bridge Company at Ambridge contracts for building 10 steel barges for transportation representing an outlay of approximately $50,000.

The Weekly Courier, $1.00 a year.

LIST OF COKE OVENS IN

## The Connellsville District

With Their Owners, Address and Ovens in Blast Corrected to Saturday, Oct. 23, 1909.

| Total Ovens | In Blast. | Name of Works. | Name of Operators | P. O. Address |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 291 | 291 | Acme | W. J. Rainey | New York, N. Y. |
| 56 | 56 | Acme | Penn Coke Co | Uniontown |
| 372 | 320 | Adelaide | H. C. Frick Coke Co | Pittsburg |
| 92 | 92 | Alverton No. 1 | H. C. Frick Coke Co | Pittsburg |
| 101 | 101 | Alverton No. 2 | H. C. Frick Coke Co | Pittsburg |
| 60 | 46 | Atlas No. 1 | Cambria Steel Co | Dunbar |
| 387 | 360 | Barnesboro | H. C. Frick Coke Co | Pittsburg |
| 152 | 122 | Beatty | Mt. Pleasant Coke Co. | Greensburg |
| 100 | 50 | Bethany | Majestic Coke Co | Uniontown |
| 300 | 300 | Bitner | H. C. Frick Coke Co | Pittsburg |
| 86 | 76 | Bourne | Wharton Furnace Co | Uniontown |
| 100 | 100 | Boyer | Mt. Pleasant Coke Co | Greensburg |
| 240 | 240 | Bunkerton | H. C. Frick Coke Co | Pittsburg |
| 216 | 180 | Buffalo | H. C. Frick Coke Co | Pittsburg |
| 60 | 30 | Brush Run | Brush Run Coke Company | Mt. Pleasant |
| 240 | 240 | Calumet | H. C. Frick Coke Co | Pittsburg |
| 70 | 50 | Carbon | Keystone Coal & Coke Co | Greensburg |
| 52 | 52 | Carolyn | Jeffreys-Connellsville Coke Co. | Pittsburg |
| 300 | 300 | Central | H. C. Frick Coke Co | Pittsburg |
| 4 | 4 | Chester | Sunshine Coal & Coke Co | Uniontown |
| 100 | 100 | Clare | Clare Coke Co | Greensburg |
| 104 | 50 | Clinton | James Cochran Sons Co | Dawson |
| 100 | 100 | Coalbrook | H. C. Frick Coke Co | Pittsburg |
| 400 | 400 | Collier | H. C. Frick Coke Co | Pittsburg |
| 400 | 400 | Continental No. 1 | H. C. Frick Coke Co | Pittsburg |
| 320 | 296 | Continental No. 2 | H. C. Frick Coke Co | Pittsburg |
| 300 | 300 | Continental No. 3 | H. C. Frick Coke Co | Pittsburg |
| 120 | 120 | Crossard | H. C. Frick Coke Co | Pittsburg |
| 333 | 333 | Davidson | H. C. Frick Coke Co | Pittsburg |
| 40 | | Dexter | J. R. Stauffer & Co | Scottdale |
| 230 | 230 | Dorothy | H. C. Frick Coke Co | Pittsburg |
| 50 | 40 | Dunn | Dunn Connellsville Coke Co. | Brownsville |
| 40 | 40 | Ellen No. 1 | Wheel Coke Co | Uniontown |
| 60 | 40 | Ellen No. 2 | Whitney Coke Co | Uniontown |
| 60 | 60 | Elizabeth | City Connellsville Coke Co | Greensburg |
| 213 | 213 | Elm Grove | W. J. Rainey | New York, N. Y. |
| 45 | | Enterprise | H. C. Frick Coke Co | Pittsburg |
| 195 | 126 | Bee Hive | W. J. Rainey | New York, N. Y. |
| | | Fairmont | H. C. Frick Coke Co | Pittsburg |
| 50 | 50 | Fredonia | Lucas Coal & Coke Co | Scottdale |
| 10 | | Frick | H. C. Frick Coke Co. | Pittsburg |
| 101 | 101 | Gilmore | Gilmore Coke Co | Uniontown |
| 413 | 132 | Grace | W. J. Rainey | New York, N. Y. |
| 200 | 200 | Hecla No. 1 | H. C. Frick Coke Co | Pittsburg |
| 600 | 300 | Hecla No. 2 | H. C. Frick Coke Co | Pittsburg |
| 200 | 200 | Hecla No. 3 | H. C. Frick Coke Co | Pittsburg |
| 100 | 60 | Hester | Summerville Coke Co | Mount Braddock |
| 100 | 80 | Henry Clay | H. C. Frick Coke Co | Pittsburg |
| 200 | | Home | Stauffer & Wiley | Scottdale |
| 300 | 300 | Hostetter | Hostetter Connellsville Coke Co. | Pittsburg |
| 100 | 100 | Hunsicker | Hunsicker Coke Co | Pittsburg |
| 250 | 250 | Jumata | H. C. Frick Coke Co | Pittsburg |
| 50 | 50 | Junction | Marietta Furnace Coal & Coke Co | Connellsville |
| 231 | 231 | Kyle | H. C. Frick Coke Co. | Pittsburg |
| 500 | 500 | Leisenring No. 1 | H. C. Frick Coke Co. | Pittsburg |
| 500 | 500 | Leisenring No. 2 | H. C. Frick Coke Co | Pittsburg |
| 60 | 40 | Leisenring No. 3 | H. C. Frick Coke Co | Pittsburg |
| 303 | 303 | Leith | H. C. Frick Coke Co. | Pittsburg |
| 122 | 122 | Lemont No. 1 | H. C. Frick Coke Co. | Pittsburg |
| 350 | 340 | Lemont No. 2 | H. C. Frick Coke Co | Pittsburg |
| 200 | 200 | Little Sunshine | Keystone Coke Co | Uniontown |
| 50 | 50 | Lodge | Central Mutual Coal & Coke Co | Scottdale |
| 4 | 4 | Madison | Uniontown Connellsville Coke Co | Pittsburg |
| 8 | 80 | Mayer | Mayer Coke Co | Uniontown |
| 71 | 55 | Mahoning | Central State Co | Dunbar |
| 400 | 400 | Monongah | H. C. Frick Coke Co | Pittsburg |
| 400 | 400 | Marguerite | H. C. Frick Coke Co | Pittsburg |
| 95 | 50 | Marion | Marion Coke Co | Udell, Pa. |
| 4 | 4 | Marthable | Northern Connellsville Coke Co. | Connellsville |
| 165 | 100 | Morgan | H. C. Frick Coke Co | Pittsburg |
| 85 | 85 | Mt. Braddock | W. J. Rainey | New York, N. Y. |
| 60 | 100 | Mt. Pleasant | Mt. Pleasant Connellsville Coke Co | Greensburg, Pa. |
| 4 | 40 | Mullen | H. C. Frick Coke Co | Pittsburg |
| 7 | 196 | Mutual | H. C. Frick Coke Co | Pittsburg |
| 32 | 32 | Myers | Brownfield Connellsville Coke Co. | Uniontown |
| 99 | 529 | Nellie | Brown & Cochran | Dawson |
| 265 | 265 | Oliphant | H. C. Frick Coke Co | Pittsburg |
| 328 | 328 | Oliver No. 1 | Oliver & Snyder Steel Co. | Pittsburg |
| 450 | 400 | Oliver No. 2 | Oliver & Snyder Steel Co | Pittsburg |
| 300 | 300 | Oliver No. 3 | Oliver & Snyder Steel Co. | Pittsburg |
| 80 | 50 | Painter | H. C. Frick Coke Co. | Pittsburg |
| 485 | 382 | Paul | W. J. Rainey | New York, N. Y. |
| 2 | | Pennsville | Pennsville Coke Co | Pennsville |
| 15 | 5 | Perry | Perry Mining Co | Perry |
| 400 | 100 | Phillips | H. C. Frick Coke Co | Pittsburg |
| 185 | 85 | Rainey | W. J. Rainey | New York, N. Y. |
| 400 | 400 | Red Jacket | H. C. Frick Coke Co | Pittsburg |
| 1200 | 465 | Revere | W. J. Rainey | New York, N. Y. |
| 26 | 26 | Sapper | Sapper Coke and Coal Co | Uniontown |
| 110 | 110 | Semet-Solvay | Dunbar Furnace Co | Dunbar |
| 45 | 15 | Shannon | Shannon Coal & Coke Co. | Uniontown |
| 50 | 50 | Shirley | South Fayette Coal & Coke Co. | Uniontown |
| 448 | 448 | Shoaf | H. C. Frick Coke Co | Pittsburg |
| 227 | 47 | Southwest No. 1 | H. C. Frick Coke Co | Pittsburg |
| 352 | 200 | Southwest No. 2 | H. C. Frick Coke Co | Pittsburg |
| 77 | 160 | Southwest No. 3 | H. C. Frick Coke Co | Pittsburg |
| 15 | 150 | Southwest No. 4 | H. C. Frick Coke Co. | Pittsburg |
| 6 | 6 | Spring Grove | Cochran Bros | Dawson |
| 0 | 200 | Standard | H. C. Frick Coke Co | Pittsburg |
| 90 | | Sterling No. 2 | H. C. Frick Coke Co | Pittsburg |
| 152 | 112 | Stewart | Stewart Iron Co | Uniontown |
| 135 | 54 | Summit | H. C. Frick Coke Co | Pittsburg |
| 60 | 40 | Thorn | Wheel Coke Co | Uniontown |
| 48 | 48 | Top Top | H. C. Frick Coke Co | Pittsburg |
| 484 | 484 | Trotter | H. C. Frick Coke Co | Pittsburg |
| 22 | | Tyrone | American Coal Mining Co | Pittsburg |
| 60 | 60 | Union | W. J. Rainey | New York, N. Y. |
| 400 | 350 | Upland | H. C. Frick Coke Co | Pittsburg |
| 251 | 100 | Valley | H. C. Frick Coke Co | Pittsburg |
| 80 | 80 | Veteran | Veteran Coke Co | Greensburg |
| 141 | 100 | White | H. C. Frick Coke Co | Pittsburg |
| 200 | [illegible] | Whitsett | Hostetter-Connellsville Coke Co. | Pittsburg |
| 300 | 60 | Wyman | H. C. Frick Coke Co | Pittsburg |
| 300 | 60 | Yorkton | H. C. Frick Coke Co | Pittsburg |
| 210 | 210 | Youngstown | H. C. Frick Coke Co. | Pittsburg |


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It is confidently asserted that the pay roll for this month which will be dispensed in Connellsville will be the largest that has ever been made up and will approximate $125 000 Every available engine is in service and large sums are being made in overtime by trainmen owing to the increased number of trains Every engineer that was set back to firing during the dull times has resumed his old place and within the past three months upwards of 300 new men have entered the service All the old employes have been taken back and it is hard today to find a loafing railroad man New employes are being examined and placed at work every day

It is usual for 400 cars to be left over each day in the Connellsville yards while the Cumberland yards have 1000 eastbound shipments to move The rush of business is increasing each day and the accumulation of eastbound trade is growing heavier with the grain shipments now beginning to come from the West

In this section the company has an abundance of cars but the motive power is short A few days ago the company placed an order for 250 locomotives for the freight passenger and switching service Yesterday railroad men report that seven trains were moved from the Cumberland yards with the big J100 type of passenger engines These engines have been in service for excursion business during the summer and are now being used in the freight service The commercial freight traffic to the West has become so heavy that western business has assumed the proportions of the eastern traffic and cars go loaded both east and west

Railroad men for upwards of a year in Connellsville used to clamor for their turns and sometime did not get a run for days It is now a matter of asking for their eight hour rest instead Many are making overtime and glad of it The holidays are in sight and every dollar that can be made is being laid up for that season

An enormous tonnage is being taken from the Fairmont branch better known as the Sheepskin The double tracking of the branch has been completed and the movement of the ever increasing coke tonnage is more rapid but even with the double track traffic is congested The Mt Braddock yards and those at Smithfield are always filled

### MARSHALL COUNTY COAL ATTRACTS FAYETTE COIN

**Uniontown People in Control of 100,000 Acres—Companies Held Meetings This Week**

UNIONTOWN Oct 28—Coal land in Marshall county West Virginia is now engaging the attention of Fayette county people more than ever before and the number of persons who are looking for some promising investment indicates that the financial situation has very much improved and that money is more than plentiful

The fact that there are about 100 000 acres of coal land in Marshall county owned or controlled by Uniontown people makes that field one whose future will be of great importance to this section J V Thompson is one of the largest owners It is believed by many prominent coal and coke men that Marshall county is the coming coal field

An accurate and exhaustive geological map of Marshall county is now being prepared by Dr I C White of Morgantown and will be issued in about three weeks It will deal especially with the coal in Marshall county Engineer J B Hogg of Connellsville is preparing a complete farm line map of Marshall county These two maps will be of great value to the coal men of Uniontown and vicinity and there will doubtless be a good demand for them

Four companies which have holdings of Marshall county coal held their annual elections in Uniontown this week and the men interested expressed themselves in the future of that field These four companies average nearly 100 stockholders each, a very large proportion of the stockholders being Uniontown persons

The Ohio River & Great Lakes Coal & Coke Company met Thursday afternoon at the office of T S Lackey and elected directors who later met and elected T S Lackey President J L Callard of Morgantown Vice President A D Williams Secretary and Treasurer The company owns 5 000 acres of coal in Marshall county fronting on the Ohio river

The Littleton Coal & Coke Company met Thursday morning in the office of Robinson & McKean and elected directors who in turn chose T S Lackey President H L Robinson Vice President A D Williams Secretary and Treasurer The company own about 1100 acres of coal in Wetzel county W Va

The Wheelstone Coal & Coke Company met Wednesday in the office of Daniel Sturgeon and elected Daniel Sturgeon President and A D Williams Secretary and Treasurer The company owns about 8 000 acres of coal in Marshall and Wetzel counties

The stockholders of the Pitten Coal Company met Tuesday in the office of T S Lackey and elected Albert Ladd President T S Lackey Vice President A D Williams Secretary and Dr J C McClenahan of Connellsville Treasurer The company has 7 000 acres of coal in Marshall county

### CONNELLSVILLE VEIN FOUND BY ISAAC WOODS

**It Underlies the Old Herd Farm Owned by John A Guiler**

John A Guiler who owns considerable land in the neighborhood of Morrell which he refuses to sell but is willing to give away for factory sites came to town Thursday with a report of a big coal discovery

It seems that while Isaac Woods who has leased some coal on the Guiler property near Wheeler was sinking a test well he discovered a big vein of Connellsville coking coal beneath the Sewickley vein he had been working

This is a big haul for Woods who has a contract to mine the coal under the property on a royalty of one cent a bushel Woods has been working the Sewickley vein which crops out on the farm The Sewickley vein lays almost directly on top of the Connellsville seam which was discovered this morning

This coal is on the old Herd farm and Mr Guiler believes there are three or four acres of it It was not known that any Connellsville coal underlied the property until this morning's discovery was made

### PENNSYLVANIA SURVEYS INTO SOMERSET COUNTY

**Report Current That Spur Will Be Extended From Johnstown Into Rich Tonnage District**

CONFLUENCE Oct 26—There is also a persistent rumor afloat that the Pennsylvania railroad is contemplating the construction of a spur from Johnstown to tap the rich coal fields of Jenner Lincoln and Upper Turkeyfoot townships

It is reported that surveys have recently been made and that work may be commenced next summer

It is not known what route the line will follow but it is believed that the old Southern Pennsylvania railroad will be utilized for at least a portion of its length

**Slate Fall Kills Miner**

Joe Stagon a Slavish miner was instantly killed in the Kelly mines near Vanderbilt Monday morning at 10 o clock by a fall of slate

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LIST OF COKE OVENS IN

## The Lower Connellsville District

With Their Owners, Address and Ovens in Blast Corrected to Saturday, Oct 23, 1909

| Total Ovens | In Blast | Name of Works | Name of Operator | P O Address |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 41 | 20 | Adah | Adah Coke Company | Uniontown |
| 72 | 32 | Anna | Kaufman & Walker Coke Co | Uniontown |
| 72 | | Armamyra | John R Campbell | Uniontown |
| 198 | 118 | Atchison | Republic Iron & Steel Co. | Cans |
| 20 | 20 | Baxter Ridge | Baxter Fuel Coal & Coke Co | Uniontown |
| 116 | 100 | Brilliant | H C Frick Coke Co | Pittsburg |
| 470 | 470 | Brier Hill | Brier Hill Coke Co | Brier Hill |
| 0 | 20 | Browning | Browning Crk Co | Uniontown |
| 50 | 50 | Brownsville | Brownsville Coke Co | Brownsville |
| 426 | 426 | Bullington | H C Frick Coke Co | Pittsburg |
| 50 | 0 | Burchinal | Smithfield Coal & Coke Co | Smithfield |
| 200 | 140 | Century | Century Coke Co | Brownsville |
| 41 | 40 | Champion | Champion Connellsville Coke Co | Uniontown |
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| 300 | 200 | Colonial No 4 | Colonial Coke Co | Pittsburg |
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| 120 | 10 | Crystal | Sackett Coal & Coke Co | Smithfield |
| 280 | 280 | Dearth | H C Frick Coke Co | Pittsburg |
| 162 | 162 | Dunbar No 1 | Consolidated Connellsville Coke Co | Uniontown |
| 240 | 240 | Dunbar No 2 | Consolidated Connellsville Coke Co | Uniontown |
| 30 | 30 | Dorothea | Iron City Coal & Coke Co | Pittsburg |
| 44 | 44 | Dorothy | Jacobs Creek Coke Co | Uniontown |
| 52 | 52 | E Connellsville | E Connellsville Coal & Coke Co | Uniontown |
| 500 | 500 | Edenborn | H C Frick Coke Co | Pittsburg |
| 148 | 148 | Edna | Walterburg Coke Co | Uniontown |
| 60 | 60 | Eleanor | Sunshine Coal & Coke Co | Masontown |
| 52 | 52 | Emory | South Fork Coke Co | Uniontown |
| 200 | 200 | Fairbank | Struthers Coal & Coke Co | Uniontown |
| 32 | 16 | Finney | Jas Layman & Co | Scottdale |
| 400 | 400 | Footedale | H C Frick Coke Co | Pittsburg |
| 150 | 150 | Franklin No 1 | Sunshine Coal & Coke Co | Masontown |
| 60 | 60 | Francis No 2 | Sunshine Coal & Coke Co | Masontown |
| 80 | 80 | Fretts | South Fork Coal & Coke Co | Uniontown |
| 31 | 18 | Garwood | Dunlap Connellsville Coke Co | Connellsville |
| 56 | 56 | Genuine | Genuine Connellsville Coke Co | Uniontown |
| 499 | 499 | Grillin Nos 1 & 2 | Brownsville Coke Co | Pittsburg |
| 100 | 100 | Herbert | Connellsville Central Coke Co | Pittsburg |
| 60 | 60 | Hoover | James H Hoover | Mechanicstown |
| 98 | 3 | Hope | Hope Coke Co | Uniontown |
| 100 | 40 | Hustead | Hustead-Stearns Coal & Coke Co | Uniontown |
| 60 | | Katherine | Connellsville Coke Co | Uniontown |
| 200 | 150 | LaBelle | LaBelle Coke Co | LaBelle |
| 220 | 220 | LaFayette | LaFayette Coke Co | Helen |
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| 191 | 191 | Martin | Martin Coke Co | Pittsburg |
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| 20 | 20 | Sharpless | Sharpless Coke Co | Uniontown |
| 100 | 100 | Solomon | Solomon Coke Co | Uniontown |
| 290 | 140 | Stearns | Stearns Coal & Coke Co | Uniontown |
| 401 | 54 | Thompson No 1 | Thompson Connellsville Coke Co | Uniontown |
| 400 | 60 | Thompson No 2 | Thompson Connellsville Coke Co | Pittsburg |
| 144 | 144 | Tower Hill No 1 | Tower Hill Connellsville Coke Co | Uniontown |
| 22 | 22 | Tower Hill No 2 | Tower Hill Connellsville Coke Co | Uniontown |
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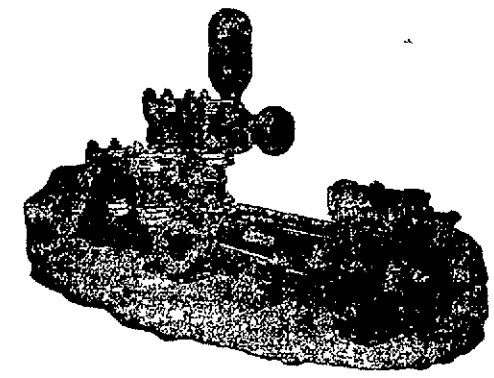

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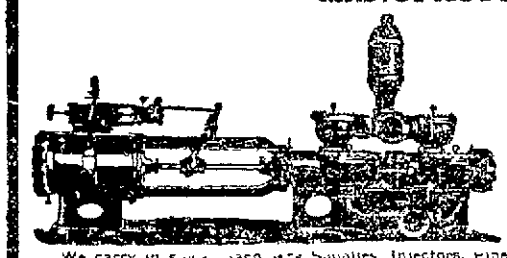

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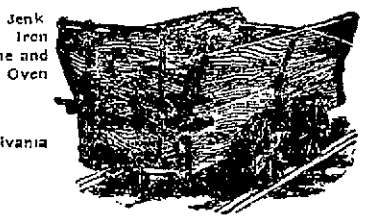

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## THE EDUCATION OF THE MINER AND THE FOREIGNER

The suggestion that an elementary mining course be established in the High School of Connellsville is worthy of the serious consideration of the directors

Connellsville is the center of the greatest mining industry in the United States if not in the world It is meet that her rising generation should be instructed in the art of coal getting with economy and safety

But this branch of instruction in the common schools will not meet the common conditions existing at the mines of the coke region What is needed there are periodical lectures to the miners on the common dangers of the mine and the common methods of averting them

The general education of the foreigner is another subject worthy of the attention of the school authorities in every district, and it is receiving attention in Washington county, for the following excellent reasons advanced by the Washington Reporter

It is evident that if good politics is to prevail the need for schools for the foreigners must be met In these schools the foreigner can be taught what constitutes good citizenship and what his rights and duties are under our form of government

It must be remembered that the central idea of our free public schools is the assurance they afford of an intelligent citizenship and the proposition to teach our adult foreign population what constitutes good citizenship is in line with the same policy which instituted and which now supports the common school system

School taxes it will be remembered are not apportioned according to the number of children each taxpayer has but according to the amount of property he owns and the reason for this lies in the fact that the protection of men in their lives and their property depends upon the intelligence and uprightness of the citizens The school tax levy is an insurance premium upon the property of the community, and the owners of that property who are wise pay it without murmur

Education on the right lines is the safety of the nation It is the little learning of little men that makes anarchists

## A RIGHT CONCLUSION BUT A WRONG PREMISE

A Dunbar citizen writes us as follows

You say the Coke Producers Association is puzzled by the liquor problem Why don't they apply the same remedy there as they do to stop huckasters and small storekeepers from taking orders and delivering goods If it works and is upheld by the courts one case will do for another The principle involved is the same

Our correspondent is right in his conclusion but wrong in his premise The higher courts have disapproved of the principle involved

## THE STARTING OF THE HUMBERT TIN PLATE MILL

The announcement that the tin plate mill at South Connellsville will be put in operation just as soon as it can be repaired and made ready will be welcome news to Connellsville

The starting up of this long idle industry is the first sure and fruitful fruit of the get together and get busy spirit which has recently been awakened by the silk mill proposition and the rejuvenation of the Chamber of Commerce It is an example of what united earnest and aggressive work can do in the way of restoring prosperity to a halting community

It should be the policy of Connellsville people to keep the Humbert mill going after it is started It has been silent and smokeless for years chiefly because of the dictatorial and arrogant spirit of union labor which dominated its operation While the South Connellsville plant has rotted in idleness the other mills in the district have run with great regularity simply because the Open Shop policy prevailed in them

The Humbert mill will be reopened under the same policy No discrimination will be made against any workman because of the fact that he is a union man nor will any discrimination be permitted to be practised against any workman because he does not belong to the union The rule is fair and eminently American in spirit It will be supported by Connellsville entire because of this fact as well as the further fact that any other attitude on our part will immediately shut down the mill perhaps as suddenly as it is opened up This is not a threat but a condition The millowners in any period of overplus product will reduce operations at those plants which it is least desirable to run and it is the company's policy to operate its open mills in preference to its union mills

The Humbert mill is a valuable Connellsville industry when running It employs several hundred workmen at better wages than the average industry Its renewed operation will mean the addition of a considerable population and a marked stimulus to business

Without ceasing its earnest efforts to locate the silk mill the Chamber of Commerce should turn its attention to the starting of the Sligo mill and use its best endeavors to fortify itself with an industrial guarantee fund under the Williamsport plan for the attraction of good industries in general bearing always in mind that the town with diversified industries is the town which best maintains a steady growth and prosperity

## NO PANIC BREEDING RAILROAD LEGISLATION

President Taft tells the Texans that he does not favor drastic legislation concerning the railroads but only such reasonable and proper regulation as will insure fair treatment to the public

One of the contributing causes of the recent money panic, and the ensuing two years of depression and general suffering was the fear on the part of the owners and holders of railroad securities that railroad legislation would be so drastic as to seriously impair if not actually destroy the values of such securities The owners sought to unload them and thus depreciated the prices the banks who held them thereupon demanded additional security or the liquidation of the loan thus did threatened drastic railroad legislation become an important contributing cause of the panic

The railroads are satisfied with the Government regulation enacted and they are generally speaking meeting the new conditions imposed in good faith Those who do not are being compelled thereto by the Interstate Commerce Commission The railroad situation is satisfactory to the public and the President does not propose to disturb it at the behest of wild eyed reformers or demagogic politicians

The business interests of the country are beginning to understand and appreciate the fact that they have a safe and sane President

## THE NATURAL GAS TAX AND THE SINGLE TAX

The Johnstown Democrat which has been in hearty agreement with us in the view that the proposed tax on natural gas in West Virginia will be a tax on the consumer rather than upon the producer finds itself in a thick gloom of doubt because a certain acknowledged authority on taxation in the person of one A C Pleydell of New York writes as follows

As natural gas is a wasting natural product all of the proceeds for exhaustion should be charged for the cost of replacement in the form of land It is essentially the same as any other rent and it should be taxed at a maximum rate little or none of the tax upon gas will be collected from the owners of the wells

The owners of natural gas wells are obtaining as much for the gas now they can get and will have to continue to sell it at a price which will induce them to compete with other kinds of fuel The entire tax on production will be paid by the owners of the wells or those who are operating it under a royalty agreement who in fact are the real landowners

The Democrat is unconvinced but its reasoning powers run counter to its sacred Single Tax theories and it finds it difficult to reconcile the former with the latter It says

There is much force in Pleydell's argument but it leaves us rather unconvinced It is a question in which we do not see well whether even if such as Judge Lindsey advocated which he was Governor would not likewise be a tax on ground rent instead of one on the producers of natural gas coal is no more a manufactured product than natural gas It merely sells at a price as high as competition will permit and only it is worked out the State of Pennsylvania has lost that much of wealth right in the ground to the community

Natural gas is in no sense a product of labor as oil or coal or number of others of course the land of this and other natural growth is a gift of God and labor must be utilized in its development and in its reduction to the consumer It differs in no respect that we know of in its utility from any other product of labor and it indeed it does not differ in any respect from beef potatoes flour say in the particular noted we are bound to conclude that a tax on it such as West Virginia proposes is one that will fall not upon the owners of natural gas opposition but upon the consumers of natural gas

Perhaps the Democrat has failed to keep its Single Tax philosophy straight in this instance It admits the possibility of error But Pleydell has not yet made it clear to our mind that our characterization of the proposed West Virginia tax is not true We believe the boot is on the other leg

The New York acknowledged authority on taxation is evidently not a consumer of natural gas nor an authority on the natural gas situation He is applying a theory to a condition and that is not what confronts the consumers of natural gas in this section of the country We fear that the New York expert is not an authority on Pennsylvania conditions Natural gas is a luxury and its consumers who have acquired the habit of its use will not go back to the dirt and smoke and inconvenience of coal so long as they can afford natural gas This fact is fully understood and appreciated by the producers of natural gas and if West Virginia imposes a tax on this product it is morally certain that the producers will add it to the cost and collect it from the consumers

Another thing which Expert Pleydell overlooks is the fact that natural gas like water costs little or nothing to produce and deliver after the initial cost of the well and the pipe lines and that the pipe lines are never built until a revenue sufficient to make them profitable is in sight Natural gas is most desirable as a domestic fuel and there is comparatively little of it used in large manufacturing establishments

It may be a maxim of political economy that taxes on ground rent cannot be shifted, but it is nevertheless an established fact that the price of natural gas is one of the most arbitrary things in the commercial world and that it is governed not by maxims of political economy but by the wishes of the Queen of the Household who knows little of the Single Tax proposition and cares less

The boot is very much on the other leg

## ANCIENT AND MODERN DEMOCRATIC DUPLICITY

Ex Candidate Dumbauld says that Ex Disappointators Frock and Sterling promised faithfully to support him for the Democratic judicial nomination and then gave him the double cross

Cardinal Wolsey tells us how futile it is to put one's faith in princes favors, and modern politics teaches us that political promises are even more unreliable Perhaps our valiant Democratic friend from Saltlick township relied too much on this kind of political support and was led to think himself stronger than he really was

We recall the fact that in the good old Democratic days when a Democratic nomination was equivalent to an election and when Republicans were not allowed to smell at the kitchen door when the Democratic politicians were feeding themselves fat in the Court House that another Saltlick Democrat ran for the Democratic nomination for Sheriff Being a methodical man he carried a book in which he entered the names of all who pledged him their support Before the campaign was half over he retired to his mountain home fully convinced that he had a majority of the Democratic vote

Instead of getting several thousand he got several hundred He consoled himself by remarking that there were seven thousand Democratic liars in Fayette county

Judging from the manner in which some of the big Democrats are talking about each other there is now Duplicity reigns a Democratic heritage

## THE LIFE AND VALUE OF OUR COAL FIELDS

The estimate that there is enough coal left in the United States to last for over 1000 years is perhaps based on all the known coal seams and upon present requirements The seams of most of the known coal seams will involve an immense increase in the cost of production and the production of 1908 upon which the estimate of consumption is based will fall below the average which is certain to materially increase with the nations progress in manufacturing

It is a fact however that the seams of coal are being mined out with a comparative rapidity which makes it plain that their present values are very much shorter than they are destined to become within a very few years Experience has shown that coal investments have been all the more unfavorably profitable often disgraceful so and present prospects indicate that this prosperity is not in the flood but just at the beginning

Connellsville is the center of the best coal beds in the country The next best lie in the adjoining sections of Pennsylvania and West Virginia This fact accounts for the present active buying of these coal lands

## ETERNAL VIGILANCE NECESSARY IN POLITICS

A detective from the Youngstown Vindicator has been telling the Uniontown Standard how it is possible for professional Disappointators to insure the proper delivery of their political goods after having bargained for them But not stated whether the practice is intended in Connellsville or whether it is prevalent here but it is for the benefit as follows

The boss voter goes to the polling place secures his ballot walks into the voting booth but instead of marking the ballot and putting it in the ballot box he sticks it into his pocket and carries it away with him to the rendezvous of the boss buyer Here the ballot is marked by the briber for one who is willing to sell his vote who goes to the polling place gets a ballot goes into the booth folds the clean ballot and puts it in his pocket comes out and sells the ballot his purchaser has marked and carries the unmarked ballot to the rendezvous ready for the next voter who for silk and so on to the end of the list The purchase price is not paid for the vote until the one who sells himself returns to the briber with the unmarked ballot

The Standard does not think this scheme could be worked especially this year when the ballot will be about the size of a newspaper nor in any polling place where the election officers are vigilant That's just the point The election officers are charged with the duty of seeing that every man who gets a ballot deposits a ballot in the ballot box If they do vigilant and faithful in the performance of this duty the trick above explained cannot be worked

Eternal vigilance is the price of safety especially in politics

## FAYETTE COUNTY'S DEMOCRATIC HORATIUS

The judicial campaign in Fayette county has reached through stages save steps the fighting stage but change to say the fighting is all being done by the Democrats

The Retort Courteous and the Quip Modest were midsummer diversions They were succeeded by the Republican and the Republican Vulgate and there were many of these exchanged through the medium of the press of Uniontown which it may be remarked in passing naturally takes more interest in a judicial election for the reason that Uniontown always furnishes the candidates With the closer approach of the election we have passed through the Shakespearean schedule of affronts and reached the fighting point The Countercheck Quarrelsome has been rapidly succeeded by the Lie with Circumstance and the Lie Direct

Horatio Sparks Dumbauld who was a candidate for the Democratic nomination against Robert Emery Umbel and who since the primary has constituted and appointed himself a modern Horatius to keep the bridge and save the Democratic party from the rolling tide of invading corruption which under the leadership of Judge Umbel and a mighty army captained by bold and able Section Bosses the pressing down from the Trans Youghiogheny country upon the Roman virtue of Saltlick townships undefiled incorruptible and uncorruptible facsimile spirit

Ex Candidate Dumbauld says that certain of Candidate Umbel's Chief Disappointators in the recent campaign at half owners in a Pan chance hoed to the personal knowledge of his judge and that he gave this hot Lan exclusive license in order to protect the financial interests of his political friends Judge Umbel gives the Lie Direct in the following emphatic language That statement is unmitigatedly absolutely and indefinitely false To make it a bit more emphatic he says quite a number of other statements emanating from the same source are false and he challenges investigation

But there will be no investigation Campaign stories are not investigated before elections and seldom afterwards In the meantime the public will sit as a great grand jury in judgment

The Republicans have no quarrel among themselves in this campaign they have a good clean ticket We have yet to see any valid objection filed against any portion of it

The vote of the Republicans is clear They will be opposed the straight way the direct course and a smack across mark within the circle is its Finger Board

## DEMOCRATIC AMENITIES AND JOURNALISTIC COURTESY

The amenities of the judicial campaign are being sadly disturbed by Democratic rudeness and recrimination

Candidate Umbel's chief organ the Uniontown Genius refuses to print Candidate Dumbauld's communications regarding the Fairchance hotel incident in answer to Candidate Umbel's card Quite in contrast with this course the Republican papers of the county both published Candidate Umbel's communication without a word of protest in fact The Courier published it without an request

The Courier is a newspaper It has a sight of that fact wherein it is out of politics It has printed the news of the political campaign with a sane impartiality it pays no other kind of news It contains no political views it is editorial column and it believes that every other well regulated newspaper should do the same

A newspaper gains in reputation and influence by being fair in its news columns than in its editorial columns and courteous at all times

## IS DEMOCRACY FLIRTING WITH THE SUFFRAGETTES?

The Uniontown Genius is intimated by the Suffragette movement since Colonel Bryan's daughter has been mentioned as a candidate for Congress in Colorado It says

The right to vote is held at this until that which touched the sacred fount in most of the States of the Union and the states of both the West and the East allowed women to vote at all Yet it is probably the vote and the influence of men by the voter that has lately led to a grant this better half—the women—the right of suffrage

The Bryan Democracy has evinced a willingness to embrace anything which gives even remote promise of assistance in winning the victory which they have striven frantically and unsuccessfully for during two disappointing and depressing decades

To embrace a woman is an act of gallantry under all circumstances and it is frequently an evidence of good taste but the attempt of the Democratic party through Ambassador John Lester Keffer to embrace Womens Suffrage is a political mistake almost as serious as the action of the party when it embraced Free Silver and flirted with Free Trade and made violent love to a lot of other early issues which were more or less free in name and in manners but which would have been letters upon the progress of the country and which consequently proved to be stumbling blocks to Democratic success

The country is overwhelmingly Republican chiefly because of the discredited dogmas of a deluded Democracy and if the women had a vote they would be just as overwhelmingly Republican as their husbands and fathers and brothers

Women Suffrage won't help the discarded and decadent Democracy

## THE SILK MILL PROPOSITION

The Dery silk mill proposition is perhaps not exclusive to Connellsville, and it is by no means certain that it will be located in Connellsville but whether it is or not we think there is room for congratulation in the interest it has aroused in the community concerning Connellsville's future

Connellsville's uplift during the past few decades was so marked and so steady that it came to be little short of treason to question her ever growing and glorious destiny While Connellsville has not been lacking in enterprise the greater measure of her prosperity came unbidden unassisted and almost unawares The Center of the coke region was the unconscious victim of happy circumstance

The people for the most part lived on in lazy dreams of easy living careless or unconscious of the fact that the conditions which conspired to make their prosperity were waning and that the time was at hand when their future progress would depend entirely upon their own efforts

The trolley system prolonged this condition It extended local business over a wider area and made a boom where otherwise decadence would have become apparent

The inevitable may be delayed but it cannot be stopped Within the past year the necessity of establishing in Connellsville new and diversified industries in order to divert a backward movement into a forward movement has gradually dawned upon the minds of our men of substance who have their money invested in Connellsville business and Connellsville property

The discussion and consideration of the Dery silk mill proposition has brought this question to a live issue The awakening is apparently complete If out of it here comes energetic and businesslike action we will have abundant cause to think the silk mill people

The character of the meeting last evening encourages the hope that the business and property interests of Connellsville are ready to get together on the Williamsport plan to encourage the work of planting new industries here to take the places of the old ones

This is the psychological moment The officers of the Chamber of Commerce should strike while the iron is hot

## THE DUSTY DEMAND OF THE BIG MINE CHIEF

Chief Mine Inspector Rodrick has issued orders to the mine inspectors commanding them to notify the mine foreman superintendent or manager of the face when the mines are dusty with a request that the dust be remedied at once

But the Big Chief offers to put into plain words the request he merely requests the operators to furnish the coal company the request will doubtless be honored by the officials in order to avoid the trouble to secure a mandamus directed to the inspectors to have the inspectors have the dust removed the observance

## NATURAL GAS FOR SOMERSET COUNTY

Somerset county people in the borough of Berlin have formed a company called the Berlin Gas Company with the prospect of supplying the town with natural gas for cooking purposes and for illuminating purposes The company has applied to the Somerset county commissioners for a franchise to lay a single line of pipe along the public highways of the county to the borough of Berlin which will mean that Berlin will be supplied with natural gas for cooking purposes and for illuminating purposes

If the venture succeeds Somerset county will be dotted with gas companies and the prospect is that it will be so dotted with natural gas companies that the natural gas will be used for cooking purposes and for illuminating purposes

The discussion and consideration of the Berlin venture will be followed with interest by the people of Somerset county and if the venture proves a success it will be followed by other companies which will be happy in its success No other form of fuel yet discovered is so clean so convenient so comfort able so cleanly Like many more of our natural resources natural gas has been wasted and used extravagantly its value was little appreciated when it was first discovered and some of the best territory was allowed to lie idle or at least volume in the empty air Other districts were exhausted in running large manufactories which have done and are now economically operated but to say that the people had shown a knowledge of the value of natural gas would have been much more valuable than the coal if it had been preserved until then

If the Somerset county town which gets natural gas for cooking purposes and for illuminating purposes wants to keep it they will have to avoid making the mistake of Akron O The city in its zeal to regulate corporations passed an ordinance reducing the price of natural gas from 40 to 20 cents per thousand whereupon the gas company gave notice that it would withdraw from the town after November 1st

But the gas company won't withdraw The arbitrary ordinance will be modified or repealed If it isn't there will be a family row not before which the struggles of the strenuous Suffragettes in London will pale into insignificance

## POSTAL SAVINGS BANKS AND THE CENTRAL BANK

President Taft has set the stamp of his approval on the postal savings bank proposition It is argued that postal savings banks are more convenient for the poorer public and the common people generally and are certainly safer than private banks but the banking interest objects to them because they will undoubtedly decrease to an appreciable extent their deposits and lastly the borrowing business interests will look upon them with disfavor because the impairment of bank deposits will mean the curtailment to loaning capacity

The postal savings banks will have a natural tendency to tie up the funds of the country but when the country has hitherto needed such funds the government has always found means of supplying them and as we understand the matter the central bank proposition is designed largely for this purpose

The objections to the central bank idea are chiefly founded on the Democratic prejudice which began in the days of Andrew Jackson and which has now been in a Democratic tradition The sons object to the United States Bank was that it would become too filled with power yet the central bank plan has been in successful operation in England France and Germany for many years It may be said that England and Germany are monarchies and that the facts cannot be applied only to republics but both England and Germany, especially the former are republican in practically all respects save their executive whose powers are not substantially greater than those of a republican President

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## DEATHS.

**Mrs Surra Biddle**

DUNBAR October —Mrs Surra Biddle, wife of the late Lawson Biddle of this place died this morning at the home of her daughter, Mrs Virgie Cooper of Speers Hill after an illness of about four weeks Mrs Biddle was the daughter of the late William and Surra Laughrey of this place and was in her 74th year Mrs Biddle was born and reared in Dunbar and had resided here all her life She was a member of the Methodist Protestant Church, and though in poor health for some time was always found in her place of worship She was a kind and loving mother to all her children and to her many friends who knew her always ready to give any assistance and kind words of advice to those in trouble

Deceased is survived by the following children Mrs Virgie Cooper Mrs Lydia Pope and Mrs Elizabeth Vandovell of this place and Samuel Biddle of Uniontown The following sisters also survive Mrs Mary Doyle and Mrs Rebecca Engle of Hopwood and Mrs Elizabeth Sullivan of this place besides 24 grandchildren and nine great grandchildren

The funeral will be held Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock from the Methodist Protestant Church Services will be conducted by her pastor Rev Francis W Perkins assisted by Rev D L Minerd Interment in Mt Auburn cemetery

**Anthony Gonker**

DUNBAR Oct 20—Anthony Gonker an aged resident of Dunbar township No 1 died on Monday night about 11 o'clock of pneumonia, at his late home above the furnace The deceased had been in poor health for the past six months and seemed no worse than usual till he contracted a heavy cold several days ago which soon developed into pneumonia Mr Gonker was in his 79th year He was a life long Democrat Besides his wife he is survived by the following children Mrs William Hill and James, George and Charles of Dunbar Mrs Agnes Mills, Continental No 1 Mrs Mary Saylor Smithfield and John of Pittsburg

The funeral was held this morning at 9 o'clock from St Aloysius Catholic church Rev Edward D Murphy officiating Interment in St Aloysius cemetery

**Daniel S. Keener**

UNIONTOWN Oct 21—Daniel S Keener aged 60 one of the well known and popular business men of Uniontown was stricken with heart failure and died instantly last evening while playing with his grandchild at the home of his son Orris

Deceased had been a prosperous merchant of Uniontown for the past 20 years and had a number of friends who will be shocked to learn of his sudden death He was a member of the old and prominent Keener family of German township Mr Keener was born in that township May 1st 1849 and had lived in Fayette county all his life With the other boys he assisted in the farm work for a number of years coming to Uniontown about 20 years ago On September 21st 1875 he was married to Miss Louise Newcomer to which union five children were born all of whom survive

**Mrs Magdaline Hamilton.**

GLIPHANT October 21—Mrs Magdaline Hamilton wife of the late William Hamilton died from the effects of a paralytic stroke at her home in Gliphant, Saturday October 21st aged 76 years She was the mother of five children only one of whom William the youngest survives The remains were laid at rest in the White Rock cemetery beside her husband Saturday afternoon Services were conducted in the M P Church by Rev T M Glendon of Fairchance The funeral was in charge of William Nixon of Uniontown

**Mrs Sarah Scott.**

DUNBAR Oct 21—Mrs Sarah Scott who arrived here about 10 days ago from Milwaukee Wisconsin to visit her granddaughter Mrs J H Wilkins of Speers Hill died suddenly on Friday morning after a short illness Mrs Scott while enroute from her home fell and at the time doctors were called in but stated no injury was caused by the fall but it is thought that the shock of the fall and her advanced age hastened her death Mrs Scott was in her 77th year

**Mrs Mary Hill**

Mrs Mary Hill aged 68 years an aunt of Mrs Ira S Hall of Murphy avenue and one of the old settlers in front of Waltersburg died Monday morning after a lingering illness Mrs Hill was the widow of the late David Hill who died several months ago She was a life long member of the Presbyterian Church of Waltersburg

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deals and Jones has admitted that he will grant liquor licenses If elected Daniel says he is against both political deals and liquor licenses, and that he is consequently the logical candidate of the people A Daniel come to judgment

Up in Uniontown it has become a habit for the people to drop their diamonds in the street rush frantically to the newspapers and advertise their loss then go back to the place where they missed their sparkler and pick it up All of which certain paddy had Uniontown newspapers give us to understand demonstrates the value of advertising

Maryland's new Senatorial primary law is a huge joke It was passed in response to a demand that the people be allowed to choose United State Senators and the poor man be given a chance for that honor The object of the law is defeated by a joker which requires the candidates to pay the expenses of the primary It is estimated that this expense will approximate $17,000 The poor man would have to mortgage his salary or his babies

The judicial campaign is running to poetry and the poetry is as bad as some of the things the candidates and the politicians are saying about each other

An English nobleman in disguise is reported to be hunting coal investments somewhere in these diggings and it is suggested that perhaps he would not be averse to investing in an heiress too The average titled foreigner might do worse and the average American heiress might do better

Some of the "abandoned" plants of the H C Frick Coke Company are coming in right handy now and demonstrating the farseeing wisdom of keeping them in reserve

Ex Congressman Acheson's Washington Observer says that John P. Cox may give the glad hand as much as he likes but that he will never be Governor It's a little early yet to make Governors but there's nothing radically wrong in any man passing the pleasant word and kissing the bright babies.

Natural gas pipes are dangerous occupants of coal mines

The B & O's record breaking business is something for Connellsville to congratulate itself on and think about It is not wise to revile and persecute a Good Thing

# DRUGGIST LEFT ESTATE TO WIFE.

## In Will Said It Was Accumulated Principally Through Her Efforts.

## GOOD WILL IS BEQUEATHED TO SON

**Document Was Dated in 1892 While Hayden W. Robinson Only Died This Month—Lumber Company Sues Connellsville Firm—Other Court News.**

UNIONTOWN Oct 28—The will of Hayden W Robinson late of Brownsville where for many years he conducted a drug store and who died on October 11, was admitted to probate this morning In this document the deceased expresses the great confidence he reposed in his wife by leaving his entire estate in her hands waiving all inventories and appraisements

He says in the will that provisions have already been made for the son B F Robinson he having been supplied with a liberal education and otherwise cared for Owing to the small amount that is left to the wife gets all because it was accumulated principally because of her frugality careful management and assistance The good will of the drug store is willed to the son

The document is dated November 11 1892 and was witnessed by B L Shoemaker and George M Rathmell

The trial list has been issued for the adjourned term of court which will begin November 8 and continue two weeks Seventy civil cases are scheduled for trial 35 for each week

Attorney S R Goldsmith this morning entered suit in behalf of the Robinson Lumber Company of Mobile Ala to recover $194 44 alleged to be due from the Keystone Planing Mill Company of Connellsville for lumber sold and delivered

Isaac R Morgan has been committed to jail by Squire Allen Carson of Perryopolis on charges of larceny by bailee

The Pennsylvania Railroad has filed its answer to the equity proceeding instituted by Joseph Laporte of Connellsville in which it asks the dismissal of the plaintiff's bill and the awarding of costs that have been incurred Laporte is accused of gross negligence in filing his equity proceeding having it is alleged permitted the work to go on for more than a month before instituting proceedings

Laporte sought to have the railroad restrained from occupying a portion of Grape alley After hearing the evidence and arguments in the case, the temporary injunction granted Laporte was dissolved

Good prices were obtained at the assignee's sale in the Albert G Moore property near Fairchance yesterday which was conducted by Attorney George Patterson The sale netted $750

## TO PREPARE HISTORY.

**Descendants of Old Family Will Meet in Mt Pleasant Next Month**

The descendants of Henry Fox, born in 1745 and his wife Mary Ruth Fox, born in 1753 will meet in the Church of God Mt Pleasant on Monday, November 1 1909 at 1 o'clock to get a record and historical facts concerning the first three generations of this family

The meeting will be on the 1 and anniversary of the birth of their son John who was one of the early settlers of Mt Pleasant The program will consist principally in reading sketches of family history by different persons The Foxes Ruths Sherricks Stoners and Overholts about Mt Pleasant and in East Huntingdon township are nearly all connected with the family and all are invited to attend the meeting

## FIVE EXAMINED.

**Dunbar Men Ambitious to Be R F D Carriers**

Five Dunbar men took the examination this morning for the position of rural free delivery carrier The examination was held in the postoffice here and by the local Secretary Miss Pearl Robinson The applicants were examined in the rudimentary branches reading writing and arithmetic They were also required to read several test addresses

Those who took the examination are W P Scott Upton D Speer Walter Fowler, James L. Wilson and John H Williams

## SAILOR IS DEAD

**He Was Son of J D Hackney of Merrittstown**

J D Hackney of Merrittstown received word Saturday of the death of his son James Hackney a sailor in the United States Navy The message came from Boston Mass

Mr Hackney is a cousin of Dr J S Hackney of Uniontown

**School Board's Good Record**

The School directors of Southmoreland township have during the last year paid $9 00 of indebtedness which leaves a balance of only $5 000

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## GOT ALBINO SQUIRREL

While hunters are bringing in tales of rigorous sports that they have encountered field John Stillwagon drifted around Thursday morning with a new one While hunting in the neighborhood of the Coal Hill Water Company reservoir on Pittsburg Mt Tuesday John saw a gray squirrel that is an albino

The squirrel was larger than a small rat It was almost white in color and had pink eyes Stillwagon says it is the first time he has ever seen an animal like it

## THE DAWSON SCHOOLS MAKES GOOD SHOWING

**During Second Month of the Term Names of Pupils Who Attended Every Day**

DAWSON Oct 28—The second month of the public schools of which H K Brooks is Principal closed yesterday The first regular examinations for the year which are held at the close of every second month were held throughout the different rooms during this week and show excellent work being done by the pupils The attendance is excellent 147 pupils being enrolled with an average attendance of 139 percentage of 95 and 35 who attended every day during the month

The following shows the attendance by rooms

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| No 1 Sylphe Franch | [illegible] | [illegible] | 10 |
| No [illegible] Katherine Bray | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| No 3 Martha Rowan | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| No 4 Harold Brooks | [illegible] | [illegible] | 35 |

The following pupils attended school every day

Room No 1 Laura Bell Atkin Myrtle Black Hilda Boslett Gladys Cable Nellie Forsythe Evelyn Hay Mary Haggerty Martha Moore Anna Mollie Heler Mong Mildred Mosser Ida Niswonger Nellie Nolan Margaret O'Brien Rose Ratchburn Katherine Ruhburn Loretta Rathburn Martha Sheppard Laura Sheppard Frances Stephens Gladys Turney Mary Zimmerman Frank Barrett Joseph Doerfler, Leo Hans Times Haggerty Harry Johnson J R Laughrey Frank McGill Robert Newmyer Walter Reariel Leslie Risdon Joseph Redilla Braden Sherbondy Edward Stephens Ernest Wingrove George Stillwagon

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## CONGREGATION MEETS

**To Welcome Rev Miller to South Connellsville**

A congregational meeting of the South Connellsville Evangelical Church was held Wednesday evening at the home of the pastor Rev R C Miller on Second street South Connellsville There were about 40 members present and the evening was a most enjoyable one

S S Kern in behalf of the congregation presented the new pastor with a neat sum of money as well as other donations of edibles Rev Miller is very grateful to his congregation for their remembrances

## ANDREW CARNEGIE'S OFFER

**To Give State Land Near Cresson May Be Accepted**

HARRISBURG Pa Oct 28—Gov Edwin S Stuart and State Health Commissioner Samuel G Dixon conferred last night regarding the offer of Andrew Carnegie to donate a tract of 450 acres of land in the Allegheny mountains near Cresson for the use of the Commonwealth While no decision was reached it is believed on Capitol Hill that steps preliminary to the acquisition of the land by the State will be taken in a short time

## HOLIDAY RATES

**Stated That Railroads Will Allow Them This Year**

With the approach of Thanksgiving and other holidays the granting of holiday rates on the railroads is a live topic It is stated that at the meeting of the passenger officials in Chicago next Wednesday that an order will go out to the effect that the usual rates will be allowed this year

There has been some contention about the matter on account of the two cent rate prevailing in some sections of the country

**To Free Dawson Bridge**

A movement is being agitated at Dawson to secure a free bridge over the Yough at that point The company owning the bridge there now charges a toll of two cents for each person crossing the bridge

# NEW GROCERY CO. IS PLANNED HERE.

## Said That Christ. Felty Is to Head New Concern Being Formed.

## G. W. CAMPBELL INTERESTED

**Application For a Charter It Is Said Will Be Made Within a Few Weeks Mr Felty Was Former Head of Connellsville Grocery Company**

Efforts are being made to organize a new wholesale grocery company here and already a canvass has been made with a view of disposing of the stock or the new concern A number of people have been interested in the proposition and according to reports the organization will be effected in the near future

Although no public announcement has been made it is learned on good authority that the new company will be headed by Christian Felty Felty was President and general manager of the Connellsville Grocery Company up to the time of its sale to the Westmoreland Grocery Company which is now conducting the business here He is also interested in the Wright Metzler Company which has stores in Connellsville and Uniontown is president of a bank at Springfield Ohio where he now resides and has other large interests

Mr Felty it is said will be the President and general manager of the new concern George W Campbell it is said is also interested in the proposed company Application for a charter will be made in the near future

## WEDDED 65 YEARS

**Mr and Mrs George H Wood Uniontown, Celebrate Event**

UNIONTOWN Oct 28—Mr and Mrs George H Wood of Jefferson street yesterday celebrated their 65th wedding anniversary yesterday at their home The affair was very simple in accordance with the tastes of the aged couple Mr Wood is 86 years of age and his wife 83 They were married October 21 1844 by the Rev William Brownfield Mrs Wood was formerly Miss Sarah Jane Cecil

Both of the old folks are enjoying excellent health Of their 10 children, four are still living There are 13 grandchildren and 12 great grandchildren all of whom are living

The will of the late Joseph Walsh of Perryopolis was filed in Fayette county for probate in Uniontown Monday directing that all debts and funeral expenses be paid the executrix Mrs Sara Boyle is bequeathed the real estate consisting of a house and lot in Perryopolis Mrs Boyle is also named as executrix The will is dated August 19 1906 and witnessed by Francis McGurgan

## NON PROS ENTERED

**Suit Against Masontown Councilmen Dismissed by Supreme Court**

UNIONTOWN Oct 28—In the suits to oust Milton H Cloud and David O Laraun of Masontown from their offices as Councilmen in which an appeal was taken to the Supreme Court a rumittur was received from the highest court Wednesday with a judgement of non pros which signifies that the matter was not followed up in the higher court The defendants after making the appeal did not prosecute the matter in the Supreme Court

The case originated from certain contracts made by the Borough of Masontown in which contracts it was alleged the Councilmen involved were interested in such a way as to be in violation of an Act of Assembly

## REV WARREN'S TRIP

**Given $1,000 to Make a Visit to the Holy Land**

Rev W R Warren of Pittsburg Secretary of the Christian Centennial has been presented with a purse of $1 000 for the purpose of visiting the Holy Land The purse was contributed by the visitors in appreciation of the Secretary's efforts in promoting the big celebration and in taking care of the thousands of visitors who attended Mr Warren is well known in Connellsville having filled the pulpit of the Christian Church here as pastor for a number of years

## MISS MARSHALL ELECTED

**To Teach New Room in the Fairchance Schools**

FAIRCHANCE Oct 28—The Fairchance school board met Monday evening for the purpose of electing a teacher for the new room they have opened in the P O S of A hall

Miss Mary Anna Marshall of Connellsville was elected a teacher for the new room

**Auditor Files Report**

UNIONTOWN Oct 28—D W Henderson auditor in the case of the Fayette Title & Trust Company against John W Romano Saturday filed his report The case grew out of the Fairchance hotel difficulty

**Mrs Gans Still Missing**

Mrs Frank Gans of Scottdale who disappeared last Sunday, is still missing from her home in the Mill Town

## TO DETERMINE CLAIM.

**Contest For Big Timber Acreage in West Virginia**

UNIONTOWN Oct 28—The hearing of claims regarding the owners hip of the 110 000 timber tract in Monongalia county W Va has started here in Chess Dossett Building and the Hall Land Company in which several Uniontown people are interested

The Hall interests encroached on the land over two months ago and have been cutting timber ever since The well at Morgantown has asked an injunction against the Hall company and notice was served on them

This tract is part of the large land interests reported to have been sold by Joseph Hall who died in Philadelphia about the year 1815 It is claimed he had good title to this land and that there is no record that he ever sold it or that it was ever sold away from him by an error The Chess interests have held the tract since 1868 and it is understood their claim is secured by tax title

## FAREWELLS SAID TO THE CUNNINGHAMS

**At the Home of J W Ward—Couple Will Shortly Return to Japan**

It was a jolly crowd that spent last evening at the home of Mr and Mrs W Ward of East Green street the occasion being in the nature of a farewell to Rev W D Cunningham and wife who have been here on furlough from their missionary work in Japan and return next Friday evening for seven more years of labor in that most interesting field

The affair was under the auspices of the Methodist Social Club of which Mrs Cunningham is a member Last evening the husbands of the members were present in order that they might share in the festivities

Following the period of social intercourse refreshments were served by the hostess and then Mrs J A Russell and Mrs J M Cecil rendered a duet Other numbers included several well delivered recitations by J M Cochran and a soprano solo by Mrs Cecil

Acting as toastmaster J I Kurtz called upon Rev Cunningham for a farewell speech in which he told of the conditions in Tokio the encouragement of the work and the anticipation they had of returning for another period of work among the Japanese concluding his remarks by singing the Japanese National hymn in native tongue

In behalf of the club a brief response to Mr Cunningham's speech was made by Frank J Chase

Toastmaster Kurtz called for short speeches from Mr Douglass of Warrensburg Mo who is here as the guest of his daughter Mrs H L Douglass J A Russell E W Horner and H L Douglass

The evening closed with the singing of God be With You Till We Meet Again by the entire company, composed of Rev and Mrs W D Cunningham Mr and Mrs J W Ward Mr and Mrs Douglass of Warrensburg Mo Mr and Mrs J A Russell Mr and Mrs W H Cottom Mr and Mrs W R Cusper Mr and Mrs Henry Kurtz Mr and Mrs E W Horner Mr and Mrs J I Kurtz Mr and Mrs H W Lessig Mr and Mrs R J Welch Mr and Mrs E G Hall Mr and Mrs J M Cecil, Mr and Mrs H L Douglass Mr and Mrs J B Davis and Mr and Mrs F L Chase

# EXHIBIT WILL START ON TOUR OF STATE

**Tuberculosis Dispensary Work to Be Shown in Towns of Western Pennsylvania**

HARRISBURG, Oct 28—State Health Commissioner Samuel G Dixon has arranged for a complete tour of the western part of the State this winter by the exhibit being made by the division of tuberculosis dispensaries of his department This work which is under the direction of Dr T A H Stokes has been carried on with great success in a number of the interior counties of the State The plan is to have the exhibit stay for from three to four days in each place photographs and charts showing the ravages of tuberculosis being exhibited together with models of cottages and buildings at sanitoria Lectures are also given by men connected with the division

A feature of recent work has been the lectures to School children and employes of mills and factories The exhibit will be interesting to Western Pennsylvania people because of the fact that a sanitarium is to be erected on the 450 acre tract near Cresson offered by Andrew Carnegie for the purpose This tract will soon be accepted by the State

The exhibit was last week at Brookville and this week will be at Clarion It will then go to Phillipsburg Later it will be shown at Kittanning Tarentum Monessen Butler New Castle Sharon Beaver Falls Rochester Greensburg Punxsutawney Homestead Wilkinsburg Waynesburg Connellsville, Uniontown Washington Mt Pleasant Monongahela McKeesport and a number of iron and steel and coal towns

**Rush Orders For Cars**

Delayed orders for freight cars are coming in a rush to the big car plants

# ONCE CULTIVATED SILK WORMS HERE.

## D. C. Hood Recalls Time When Raw Material Was Produced.

## FED ON MULBERRY LEAVES

**Mr Hood Employed Gathering Leaves and Tells of Appetite Worms Had Man Named Kerr Ran Business Between 1836 and 1840**

While the business men are considering the silk mill proposition it is not generally known that Connellsville once figured on the silk map of the country It was a good many years ago but some of the old timers can remember when a man named Kerr cultivated silk worms over in New Haven He had the bottom planted in white mulberry trees feeding the worms on the leaves

Daniel C Hood who is more than 80 years of age and doesn't look 50 told The Courier man something about the silk worms yesterday Mr Hood said that when but a little fellow he used to gather the mulberry leaves for the worms That was between 1836 and 1840 Mr Kerr the proprietor of the establishment was in business for quite a number of years Mr Hood does not remember just how many but he recalls that before the industry died out the mulberry bushes had attained a good growth

Kerr had two sheds in which he kept his worms They were placed on nothing like a tennis net or fish net These were spread over the floor but a few inches above it The silk worms would weave their cocoons on the net

Those worms had an awful appetite said Mr Hood We filled the nets with leaves every morning and 24 hours later nothing would be left but the stems

This branch of the silk industry flourished when Connellsville was but a small village and New Haven only a collection of scattered houses Mr Kerr the proprietor of the silk worm establishment would kill the worms by burning them in order to preserve the cocoons and then the raw silk was shipped eastward to be manufactured

## SUPERVISORS SUED

**In Somerset County For Not Keeping Roads in Good Condition**

SOMERSET Oct 28—A charge of misdemeanor is against the Supervisors of Jenner township was brought this week in the information preferred at the office of Frank A Harsh Clerk of Quarter Court, by Frank D Boston of Jenner township Boston charges J J Bowman Lavan Ash and Albert Bell the Supervisors, with refusing to keep the loose stones off the public roads under their care, particularly on the road from Jenner to the Hines school house and on the road from Jenner Cross Roads to the crossing at Farrells store

The information was made under the Act of 1901 making it a misdemeanor for the Supervisors to be found guilty of failing to keep their roads in shape

# STUDENT'S LEG BROKEN IN A FOOTBALL GAME

**Philip Fieldson of Dickerson Run Meets With Accident at Leisenring on Friday**

DICKERSON RUN Oct 28—Philip the youngest son of Mr and Mrs Fieldson and a student at the Dunbar township High School at Leisenring was brought home Friday suffering from a broken leg which he received in a rush in a football game in which he was taking a lively part

Dr Harry J Bell was called in and set the leg and Philip is getting along as well as could be expected

## MISSIONARY TO JAPAN

**Miss Millie Fretts of Perryopolis Named by Methodists**

PERRYOPOLIS October 28th—After making seven or eight years of preparation graduating from Ohio Wesleyan University and doing local work in Pittsburg Miss Millie Fretts of Perryopolis has been appointed by the Methodist Episcopal Foreign Mission Board as one of the missionaries to Japan this year

Miss Fretts is well qualified for the work and her many friends are enthusiastic over her success

## LETTERS ARE ISSUED

**In the Estate of Lucy Ann Seese of Springfield Township.**

UNIONTOWN Oct 28—Letters of administration were issued this morning to Robert Seese in the estate of the late Lucy Ann Seese of Springfield township Bond in the sum of $400 was given with James W Beatty and T D Munson sureties

**Dr Bromley President**

At the Pennsylvania Baptist general convention in session at Williamsport, Rev J S Bromley, D D, of Uniontown was elected President of the State Ministers' Union.

## TOO DARK FOR SCHOOL

The Mt Braddock school was closed Monday afternoon on account of darkness When the school settled down to the little morning lesson it was found that they could not see to work

Teachers are used to light the lamps on dark days but the weather was so dark that the work hindered continued until the afternoon when it was found that it was useless to try to do anything at the work

# RESIGNATION OF REV. ASHE AT NEXT MEETING

**Minister School Director Will Probably Present It At the Next Session**

It is probable that at the next meeting of the Board of School Directors that the resignation of Rev A T Ashe will be presented Rev Ashe has been transferred by the M E conference from the local church to a charge in Allegheny and is moving his family there

He has been a member of the School Board from the First Ward and an efficient director having taken great interest in the work of the schools It is not known who will succeed him

## TRIPPED IN PIT

**J T Johnston Got Mean Tumble in Mire Near Town**

Joseph T Johnston of East Main street is busy answering questions as to how he received some bad scratch on his face and nine out of ten questioners accuse him of having tumble from street car As a matter of fact the trolley line is wholly innocent

While in the pitch dark of town Mr Johnston stumbled over an obstruction and fell His face was badly scratched as a consequence

**New Donora Theatre**

At Donora there is in course of erection a vaudeville theatre that is equal will be the largest on side the cities in Western Pennsylvania The playhouse is being built by Hopkins & Evans and will have a seating capacity of 1 000

## FAYETTE COURT RECORDS.

**Deeds Recorded Marriage Licenses and County Expenditures.**

Samuel Jones and others to William Dewey for lot in Brownsville $400 October 11 1909

Charles A Hogg and Elizabeth P Hogg his wife to Mary Kouch for lot in Uniontown township $600 October 11 1909

Emma Coughenour to Oliver P Markle and others Frank for land in Springhill township $1 00 October 11 1909

Albert Gibson and wife to Elliott P Lane for land in Jefferson township August 27 1909

Mary M Millard to William F Souser for land in Connellsville $1 00 September 1 1909

Elias A Davenport and husband of Masontown township to John D Sedgwick and Emma C Sedgwick of Dunbar township for lot of land in New Geneva October 14 1909 $800

Roy J Welch et al to wife of Waynesburg Pa for land in Menallen township wife of Redstone township lot of land in Redstone township $1 00 $1 00

Marcella Snyder and wife to William H Metzler for lot of land in Wharton township $70 October 8 1909

Walter W Laughrey et al to Sarah M Wynn for tract of land in Georges township $1 October 1 1909

Mary Stoner et al to Albert Smithgwski land in North Union township $ 00 October 16 1909

Charles T Wilson guardian of John Wilson et al Harriet Wilson for land in Dunbar $1 00 October 9 1909

O P Markle and J Frank to H Emmett Cornish for land in North Union township $ 00 October 14 1909

Peter L Winters et al to Brown for land in Washington township $400 October 8 1909

George Dennis and wife of Frank township to Charles Jordan and wife of the same of same in Franklin township September 10 1909 $1 and that said parties of the second part clothe support and maintain said parties of the first part with the son Milton during their joint and several lives on said farm

Nicola Cirione and wife to Connellsville Building & Loan Association in Connellsville borough $1 September 2 1909

R S Andrews trustee of Peter Butsek bankrupt to L C Hagg and S R Goldsmith certain lots in Connellsville and in Bullskin township $ 00 October 1 1909

Frank Bates and wife of Lower Tyrone township to Emma C Bates of the same place for tract of land in Lower Tyrone township April 9 1909 consideration $ 00

Laura D Miller and husband of Dunbar township to Dunbar township October 19 1909 $ 0

William Hayes of Conflurence to Nevada J Lafferty of Dawson for lot in Dawson June 1908 $1 000

R S Matthews trustee of Peter Butsek bankrupt to W D McGinnis and C L McGinnis for lots in Bullskin township October 1 1909 $

J N Thompson et al to Mary Fowler five foot vein of coal underlying a certain parcel of land in South Union township September 29 1909 $1, and other sufficient considerations

# SCHOOLS ARE IN FINE CONDITION.

## County Superintendent Lewellyn Says They Are Making Rapid Strides.

## BIG GROWTH IN FIVE YEARS

**From Four High Schools County Advances to 14—Preparing Program for County Institute and Says It Will Be a Hummer**

C Gregg Lewellyn county superintendent of schools in Fayette, was in Connellsville Thursday, having come here to consult with various teachers regarding their work and also to pay a visit to the schools of town. He expressed himself this morning as being more than pleased with the way in which the work in the schools is going forward and also announced that the program for the annual County Institute would be ready for publication within a week He stated that the list of instructors and the entertainers provided for this years institute, which begins in Uniontown December 20 would be of especial interest to the teachers of the county and that a record attendance was in prospect Mr. Lewellyn refused to give the names of the instructors at this time but said that they were men of prominence in the educational world

In speaking of the growth of the Fayette county schools he said: I think that we are progressing at a good rate and that our population is increasing everywhere in the county; that our schools are keeping pace with the demands of the patrons For instance we had four high schools five years ago Today we have 14 and they are good ones too In the last year five districts have raised their terms from seven to eight months and two high schools have increased their term from eight to nine months An agricultural course has been installed at McClellandtown We have approximately 700 teachers throughout the county Last year upwards of 40 teachers were added to the teaching corps In many of the districts the wages have been increased The efficiency of the teaching corps has thereby been bettered as with better pay more rigid examinations can be held and teachers better prepare themselves There is every reason to believe that the work will be extended"

Mr Lewellyn was noncommittal about holding an institute in Connellsville but just remarked that there would be one in Uniontown There is some agitation going on among instructors and prominent men for the institution of a training course in the High Schools but no definite plans have been outlined

Henry Clark to Norman Weimer for land in Bullskin township, $400 July 11 1908

Indian Creek Coal and Coke Company to J W K Solomon for land in Saltlick township $1 March 5, 1909

George S Richard and Augusta Leonard to Elizabeth Grace for land in Saltlick township $ 00 October 11, 1909

James R Gibson to Sevilla Fisher, for land in Mailleysburg $600 October 17 1909

Henry J Bitner and wife to John L. Kalp for land in Saltlick township; October 11 1909

Jacob Dons and wife to Allen Kalp, for land in Saltlick township $600 72, June 1 1908

J N Masholder and wife to John N. Kalp for land in Saltlick township, $400 October 9 1908

J C Kalp and wife to John N Kalp, for land in Saltlick township, $[illegible], January 1 1909

Ellen Kalp to John Kalp for land in Saltlick township, $625, March 10, 18

Sara J Christner and Charles Christner for land in Saltlick township, $sold May 1 1909

**Marriage Licenses.**

George Moon and Amanda Thomas, both of Point Run

Charles Staub of Pittsburg, and Emma J Shetts of Jeannette

Aaron B Nicholson of Connellsville, and Catharine May of Markleton

Ernest Walker and Jessie Kelly, both of Uniontown The latter couple were married Sunday afternoon officiating George M McGuire of Dunbar, and Florence Bricker of Dunbar township

Alfred Gray and Mary Gray, both of Somerset

Douglas Willies and Lizzie Anderson both of Dunbar

Herman M Hykins and Mary E. Elwell both of Star Junction

Benjamin F Husband and Lucy Setwart both of Dawson

Frank W Pretzman and Lydia M. Marie both of Smithfield

Robert Torrence of Masontown and Martha Crise of Carmichaels.

**County Expenditures**

Fayette County Gas Company bill for September $182

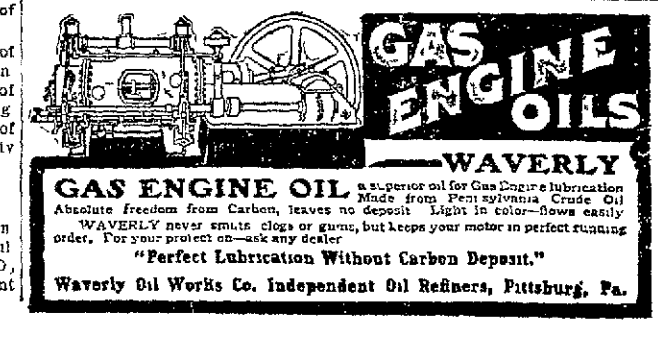
John A Shearer State Treasurer, State tax for 1909 $-8 11 [illegible]

William McClelland, prothonotary, account transcribing road docket $500

Jones Costello on account of masonry on piers of the Marion bridge, $1 000

A B Hutchinson Treasurer payroll of the house employes sheep claims and for killing dogs $[illegible]

A B Hutchinson Treasurer, justices and constables costs, sheriff and sundry bills, $-41 36



# MANY ELECTION OFFICERS NAMED.

## Usual Pre-Election Appointments Made in Court This Morning.

## SENTENCES HANDED DOWN

**Clyde Brown Goes to Pen for Year for Forgery—Large Number of Divorce Cases Are Pending and Some Are Granted.**

UNIONTOWN Oct 26—The usual number of changes in election boards throughout the county, just prior to an election, were announced this morning and the list was larger than usual Only one change was announced in Connellsville, J S Bryner being named Judge of Election in the Third ward of that borough to succeed A O Bixler, who resigned

Two changes of inspectors in Redstone township No 4 were made The majority inspector is Alvin Mitchell who succeeds Gay Kremer resigned Robert Crumrine is the minority inspector, succeeding Thomas Crable who removed from the district after being appointed to succeed Robert Price

In Saltlick No 2 Charles E B Dumbauld was named Judge of Election to fill a vacancy Jesse B Leckey was named Judge in Springhill No 2 to succeed Newton Grimes resigned J W Gribble was named Majority Inspector in Menallen No 3 to succeed James Harford resigned In Nicholson No 3, Fred Schroyer was appointed Majority Inspector to succeed Hodge Jenkins removed

A session of sentence court was held this morning Clyde Brown of Connellsville was given the longest sentence going to the penitentiary for a year for forging checks He collected $20 from the Frisbee Hardware Company by this means

Raymond Henry of Somerset county was let off when Isaac Trundull the prosecutor withdrew the charge Henry's father paid the costs

John Condy and Angelo Barone were given the usual sentence of $75 and six months to the workhouse for carrying concealed weapons

William Murphy and W F Beale were sent to jail for six months for assaulting a special officer of the B & O at Connellsville

M Swisher arrested in Connellsville for stealing a watch from James Klinger was sent to the county jail for 30 days in lieu of costs He returned the watch William Reagan received the same sentence He was sent up for dodging a $10 board bill owing Mrs Mary Brown but said the bill was contracted by his wife with whom he has not lived for the past two years

Ed Spinner convicted of murder in the second degree in 1901 and sent to the penitentiary for 15 years has been transferred to Dixmont

In the divorce case of Ina Blackford against Alvin E Blackford a divorce was granted on recommendation of the master D E Bane Desertion was the grounds on which a divorce was asked

A petition was filed asking the appointment of Christian W Saylor as Tax Collector of Ohiopyle borough

The following masters were appointed in divorce cases C A Rhodes in the suit of Venetia Costen against H R Costen F I Cottom in the case of Frank Lowery against Maggie Loukota John Duggan Jr in the case of Annie Melaskie against Peter Melaskie T J Jones in the case of Henry Kremer against Belle Kremer and F P Cottom in the case of Levi Gales against Edith Gales

A divorce was granted William Firestone of Connellsville against Lucinda Firestone Desertion was the cause A petition was presented asking the appointment of John W Anderson as constable in Bellevernon borough to succeed E H Nicholls who resigned on account of ill health

### HAS RARE WALNUTS

**J. J. Donnelly Gets Bumper Crop of Japanese Variety**

J J Donnelly on Green street, has a rarity in the possession of a Japanese walnut tree which this year bore about two bushels of walnuts The nuts have a very hard shell but after they are cracked a pick is not needed to get at the kernel The flavor of the nut is similar to that of the English walnut

The tree was planted many years ago and this year bore a bumper crop The nuts grow in clusters and are easily recovered

**General Superintendent in Town.**

General Superintendent Robert Pinney of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad passed through Connellsville Saturday evening on train No 5 He was on his way from Cumberland to Pittsburg and did not stop here

**Washington's Water Famine.**

The failure of a new pump at the Washington Pa water station has caused a failure of supply The town has been without water from the mains since Friday

**R D Layton Dead.**

Robert D Layton aged 63, an active worker in labor organizations of Pittsburg and Immigrant Inspector of that city for a number of years died yesterday

## SWINDLER CAUGHT.

**His Victims Were Chiefly Physicians and Undertakers.**

PITTSBURG Oct 25—(Special)—Physicians and undertakers in numerous Western Pennsylvania, Eastern Ohio and West Virginia towns will read with interest of the arrest of William D Stafford Their acquaintance with him consisted in handling the alleged agent of an accident insurance company $2 as an advance payment on their policy They also had promises of considerable practise and business being thrown their way

Stafford is now in the Allegheny county jail He was placed there early yesterday morning by Daniel Honihan of East Pittsburg an inspector for the State insurance department, who has been chasing him over three States Receipts in his possession showed that Stafford has hoodwinked many Western Pennsylvania physicians and undertakers

## AGED WOMAN'S WILL MAKES NICE BEQUESTS

**Mrs Eliza A Tayman 93 Years Old, of Somerset Disposes of Estate Worth $40,000**

SOMERSET Pa, Oct 26—The will of Mrs Eliza A Tayman who died at her home in Davansville recently aged 93 years has been admitted to probate in the office of Register Bert F Landis The will directs that the body of testatrix be interred in the Davansville Cemetery according to the rites of the Reformed Church and that the executors erect a suitable monument at her grave

The farms at Davansville occupied by David and William H Tayman are given to them and the 20 acres lying north of the turnpike and adjoining the farm occupied by David Tayman are add d to the farm of William H Tayman At the death of he children the farms are to be sold and the proceeds divided among the grandchildren of the testatrix who are as follows The children of David Tayman, Charles, Edmund Thomas Annie wife of Fred Gregory Lillie wife of A A Fisher Nora wife of Edward Kintner The children of William H Tayman John Eliza, Leah Nevin James The children of D A A Tayman, William A, Francis George Thomas The children of Amanda wife of Curtis K Grove Bertha David Royer The children of Belinda deceased wife of William Jordan Mary wife of William Murphy Jessie wife of Webster B Parker Grace

The following cash bequests were also made To David Tayman $1 each to David Royer and Bertha Grove $1 000 each to William A Francis George and Thomas Tayman $1 00 each to Nevin and James Tayman $1 000 each to Mrs Mary Murphy Mrs Jessie J Parker and Miss Grace Jordan $2,000 to be divided equally among them to William H Tayman $5 000 to George H Tayman the interest on a trust fund of $2 000 at his death the fund to be paid to William Tayman to the Mt Zion Reformed Church at Davansville $100 to be used to keep the graves in repair to William H Tayman the eight day clock is given with directions that it be kept in the Tayman family so long as any descendants remain to Matilda Tayman wife of William H all the household goods of the testatrix are given

George R Scull of Somerset and P J Edwards of Pittsburg are appointed executors The will is dated January 18 1909

Cash bequests amounting to about $18 000 are made in the will and it is estimated that the entire estate will amount to about $40 000

### PRIZE PUMPKIN

**One in Campbell's Grocery Store Weighs 45 Pounds**

George Campbell the South Pittsburg grocer has the prize pumpkin in town He has it on display in his window and it is attracting general attention The pumpkin measures 68 inches in diameter and weighs 45 pounds It was raised on the Workman farm in Bullskin township

In his collection of vegetables he also has a monster radish It weighs 10 pounds and is shaped like a human body It was raised by Henry Power of Normalville

### DEMONSTRATION TRAINS

**State Zoologist to Assist Farmers in Fighting Insect Pests**

HARRISBURG Pa Oct 25—(Special)—The demonstration trains to show the farmers and fruit growers of Pennsylvania how to fight San Jose scale and other pests of the orchard and fruit yard will start out about November 15 said State Zoologist Surface today I am in correspondence with the railroads now about trains and I think we shall have several and visit sections of the State where we could not penetrate last year

### TEMPERANCE SUNDAY

**Will Be Held by W C T U on November 28**

At a meeting of District No 1 of the W C T U held Saturday afternoon at the Carnegie Free Library arrangements were made for a Temperance Sunday to be observed in the district on November 28 Temperance rallies will be held in Connellsville South Connellsville, Mill Run, Ohiopyle and Dunbar

Arrangements were also made to hold a district institute in January 1910 At this time a medal contest will take place

# MRS. PORTERFIELD FILES A PROTEST.

## Elects to Take Dower Interest Instead of Share Given in Will

## OTHER ORPHANS COURT NOTES

**Estate of Samuel K Frey Might Give Grounds For Superstition as Executor and Trustee Have Since Died Orders For Sales Made**

UNIONTOWN, Oct 25—Mrs Nancy C Porterfield widow of the late Simon Porterfield of Springfield township who died a few weeks ago, has filed her demurrer to the provisions made in the will of her deceased husband and elects to take a dower interest in the estate Mrs Porterfield was wooed by the mail route it is said and was one of many applicants who replied to an advertisement for a wife inserted when looking for a better half The two had been married but a short time when Porterfield died He leaves an exceptionally valuable estate

When the will was presented for probate Mrs Porterfield filed her election and made known her intention to elect a dower interest

The estate of the late Samuel Frey who died in South Union township several years ago seems tied The executor Oliver Miller died soon after assuming his duties and Attorney Thomas R Wakefield, who was subsequently named trustee has since died Thomas McCrory Thomson was named trustee to succeed the late Attorney Wakefield

In the estate of the late Christopher Ogles Simeon F Groff the administrator was given the right to sell a lot in North Union township to H L Robinson for $500 the proceeds to be used towards the payment of debts

In the estate of the late Elbert T Wright of Connellsville township a petition to sell several lots to S S Stern for $2 200 was granted

The Peoples Building & Loan Company of Connellsville has entered suit against Richard Hasson and others to collect $1 100 due on a mortgage The Lafayette Title & Trust Company has sued the Maryland Pennsylvania & West Virginia Telephone & Telegraph Company to recover $7 [illegible]

# MRS. GANS' RELATIVES FEAR FOR HER SAFETY

**Mystery Still Surrounds Disappearance of Scottdale Woman Who Left Home 10 Days Ago**

Mystery still surrounds the disappearance of Mrs Frank Gans of Scottdale and the search for her continues unabated It is 10 days now since she left her home in Scottdale and not a single trace of the woman has been discovered It is feared by some of her relatives that she has wandered off somewhere and will of his died

Every effort has been made to locate Mrs Gans but the fact that she was lost from the time she started from Scottdale makes it difficult where to look for her

It is generally believed that Mrs Gans was ill at the time she left the mill town and that she has wandered away not knowing where she was going nor what she was doing The search for her has been going on with undiminished zeal and her relatives hope to soon learn of her whereabouts

# RURAL ROUTE CHANGE FROM DAWSON OFFICE

**After November 1 Summit Mines Will Get Mail From Dawson—Railroad Service Abandoned**

DAWSON Oct 26—Rural route No 1 leaving the Dawson postoffice daily which is handled by Carrier Bert G Groft has been extended to reach the Summit Mines postoffice adding about three and a half miles The change becomes effective November 1 1909 after which date Summit Mines postoffice will receive its mail from the Dawson postoffice it being taken there by Carrier Cauley

Service will be abandoned on the Baltimore & Ohio railroad to Summit Mines postoffice

### ENGINEERS AT WORK

**Running Lines for Extension of the West Penn Railways**

Several corps of West Penn engineers are at work running lines for the new extension between Leisenring No 2 and Uniontown Practically all the rights of way have been secured for this line and good progress is being made

New switches are being placed at Brownsville line to be used when the new schedule reducing the running time is placed in effect

**New Political Club**

The Slovak Political Club of Uniontown has been formed John Petula of Connellsville is one of the organizers

**Cigarette Causes Fire**

Boys smoking cigarettes caused a $5,000 fire at West Newton

# GROUP MEETING OF M. E. SUB-DISTRICT

**Will Be Held on Friday in the Connellsville Church—The Program Arranged**

The third group meeting of the Connellsville Sub District of the Methodist Episcopal Church will be held Friday afternoon in the local Methodist Episcopal Church There will be an afternoon and evening session The following is the program

Afternoon session Devotional exercises Rev H M Carnahan of Dawson roll call of charters address, Personal Religious Experience as a Factor in the Devotional Meeting Theodore Hockey of Scottdale, address Mission Study Classes and How to Conduct Them' Miss Carrie Kenyon special music local Epworth League exercises address, Christian Stewardship' Rev J M Phoenix D D of Pittsburg business session

Evening session 7 15 P M Devotional exercises Rev R B Mansell D D of Scottdale special music by Epworth League choir illustrated missionary lecture Rev J M Phoenix D D of Pittsburg silver offering doxology benediction The officers are President Rev Archibald Mull Secretary Miss Daisy Sherrick and Treasurer Miss May Gibson

# BABY BURNED TO DEATH; IGNITED OWN CLOTHES

**A Negro's Heroic Effort to Save the Little One's Life Proved Unavailing**

UNIONTOWN Oct 2[illegible]—Helen Bellew aged three years was so fatally burned Saturday afternoon that she died seven hours later Mrs Bellew left the child done in a room and the infant began playing with fire She deliberately ignited her clothing and was a mass of flames when Mrs Bellew returned A negro James Hamilton happened by at the time and grabbed the child from the frightened mother

Wrapping the child in his big rubber coat Hamilton smothered the flames but the child was so badly burned that she died late Saturday night

### COMES TO CONNELLSVILLE

**Charles Donnelly is Transferred Here From Leckrone**

Charles Donnelly son of J J Donnelly of Green street who has been station agent of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad at Leckrone for the past three years has been transferred to Connellsville and will take up work at the Baltimore & Ohio scales

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# JURORS ARE DRAWN FOR DECEMBER COURT

**Names of Those Who Will Serve on the Grand Jury and Petit Jury at Coming Session**

Sheriff L A Johns and Jury Commissioners Dougherty and Rankin yesterday drew a list of jurors for Grand Jurors and 152 Petit Jurors for the December term of court beginning Monday December 6 The list of Grand Jurors is as follows

[illegible]

Following are the names of the petit jurors drawn for the December term of court

**First Week**

Bromley Joseph S minister Uniontown borough
Baer Jacob A carpenter Uniontown borough
Boyd William R levels Menallen township
Bryner Thomas carpenter Uniontown borough
Byers William farmer Menallen township
Bailey Joseph laborer Dunbar borough
Burns Gilbert bricklayer Uniontown borough
Clark James W carpenter Uniontown borough
Chisnel John H laborer Wharton township
Cavanaugh George H laborer Bullskin township
Clifton Josiah C farmer Franklin township
Crawford Samuel farmer North Union township
Crow Scott carpenter Dunbar township
Campbell Clyde leather Connellsville borough
Cook John A lumberman Point Marion borough
Cramer Frank farmer German township
Cressy Robert H merchant Uniontown borough
Dodd Harry laborer Brownsville borough
Davis Willard farmer South Union township
Douglas John S retired gentleman Connellsville borough
Edel Harry bookkeeper South Brownsville borough
Forsyth Taylor insurance agent Dawson borough
Fordyce Wise gentleman Jefferson township
Evans Holly W clerk Uniontown borough
Frost Lindsey farmer German township
Gates Irving tailor Uniontown
Grimes Albert G laborer Menallen township
Gans Harry B civil engineer Uniontown borough
Gary William M laborer Bullskin township
Groft John S farmer Brownsville borough
Gray Joseph F agent Bullskin township
Hendersan Tom operator Uniontown borough
Harris Anson farmer Perry township
Henderson Stanley gentleman Uniontown borough
Hoover Robert farmer Bullskin township
Hough Charles A stationary engineer Point Marion borough
Hess Harrison merchant Perryopolis borough
Horner Joseph M farmer South Union township
Lindley John S laborer South Brownsville borough
Lindsey John farmer Washington township
Lowry Frank farmer Stonycreek township
Marks Frank Sattlick township
Moyer John farmer Georges township
Moore Milton carpenter Dunbar borough
Martin Edward farmer North Union township
Martin William farmer Springfield township
Moore James Washington township
Mitchell Frank merchant Connellsville borough
Mason Harry Point Marion borough
Miller Jesse farmer Springhill township
Miller Edward carpenter Connellsville borough
Miller Max merchant Georges township
Kyle Harry glassworker Fairchance borough
Lyon John mason Upper Tyrone township
Lowry R R mail carrier South Brownsville borough
Myers Walter A farmer Masontown borough
Malone, Harry driver Redstone township
Miller Fred O carpenter Springfield township
Miller Charles B farmer Wharton township
Mosley John fireboss Menallen township
McGivern Peter miner German township
Newcomer Newton farmer Bullskin township
Porter Earl druggist Dawson borough
Porter William farmer Dunbar township
Quarrymont Jules glassworker Point Marion borough
Rider H H farmer Springhill township
Tickey, Charles A salesman Mason town
Rhodes Alberta D blacksmith Masontown borough
Reagan Patrick contractor Uniontown borough
Rankin Thomas A bookkeeper Uniontown borough
Boyer George F farmer Springfield township
Stokley Frank farmer Brownsville borough
Stokley Lincoln plumber Brownsville borough
Sayers William carpenter Bullskin township
Swearingen Hugh merchant Dunbar borough
Simmon Charles Bullskin township
Stephens Clifford W farmer Washington township
Thomas Harry carpenter South Union township
Tomlinson Jim farmer Uniontown borough
Wilson Alonzo laborer Perry township
Wilson Irving farmer George township
White John W R Perryopolis

**Second Week**

[illegible]

**Petit Jurors—Second Week**

[illegible]

### Administrator's Sale of Real Estate

BY VIRTUE OF AN ORPHANS COURT [illegible]

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# A MOTHER CHASES DAUGHTER THREE HOURS THROUGH WOODS.

## Mrs. Henry Mostberg Comes From Chicago to Dawson and After Exciting Adventure Kidnaps Her Child.

### THE GIRL LIVED WITH FATHER

**Near Layton at Carson Home—Buggy and Automobile Figure in Exciting Scenes—Child Finally Consented to Accompany Mother It is Said**

The vicinity of Dawson and Layton had an exciting incident that set the whole community agog on Tuesday afternoon It was the kidnaping of eight year old Helen Mostberg from the Carson home on Layton hill by Mrs Henry Mostberg, mother of the girl The child saw her mother as she approached the Carson house and ran through the fields to a woods some distance away Mrs Mostberg followed her daughter for three hours through the underbrush and adjoining fields before she was able to overtake her Meanwhile a rig which Mrs Mostberg had hired at Dawson, kept as near the scene of the chase mother and daughter were participating in as possible

After Mrs Mostberg came up with her daughter, the latter It is stated being quite exhausted agreed to accompany her mother and drove away with her in the carriage

After mother and daughter had taken the carriage the driver was ordered to take them to Tyrone church An automobile was awaiting them there and without a word of explanation Mrs Mostberg and her daughter jumped into the big machine and disappeared up the road Pay for the carriage it is said was given the owner when it was hired at Dawson The automobile it was stated at Dawson came to Connellsville from Tyrone church and from here Mrs. Mostberg and her daughter boarded a Baltimore & Ohio train for Chicago

Mrs Mostberg and her husband have not been living together for some years Mrs Mostberg has been residing in Chicago and it was from the Windy City that she came direct to Dawson for the purpose of getting her daughter to accompany her there

The father of the girl was not at home at the time her mother came for her The latter was not dressed for traveling when she left the Carson home being clad in the frock customary for a little girl of her age about the farm

### TO JOIN HUSBAND

**Mrs Emery Martin Goes West After Reconciliation**

UNIONTOWN Oct 20 — Mrs Emery Martin of Hopwood left this morning for Phoenix Arkansas where she will join her husband, who is running a meat market at that place

This is probably the closing incident of the sensation which was caused when Martin eloped with Mrs W A Stone of Hopwood last December Husband and wife have become reconciled

# NEW RURAL ROUTE MAIL SERVICE RULES

**Postmaster Collins Calls Attention to Details—Patrons Who Want the Service Must Observe**

Postmaster Clark Collins wishes to call to the attention of the residents living along the proposed new rural route No 26 service commencing November 1 1909 the necessity of erecting boxes approved by the Post office Department and furnishing him with a complete list of the members of their families if they intend taking advantage of the service

This service is established for the relief of patrons who live at a distance from the postoffice, including those in the corporate limits but beyond the city delivery It matters not that the patron does not live on the route direct if they have their boxes erected on the route so that it can be served without dismounting and their mail addressed R F D No 26 Connellsville Pa

Description of the route from Connellsville postoffice is as follows

Southwesterly to Trotter Store corner
Northeast to Stone House corner
Northwest north and west to Hickory Bottom School House corner
Northwest and southwest to Vanderbilt postoffice
Southerly and southeast to Leisenring corner
Northeast and northerly 1½ miles and northeast and southeast 1½ miles to Trotter Ovens corner
Southerly to Election House corner
Southeasterly to Morrell corner
Northerly and northeast to Wheeler
East to Ridge row of houses and retrace
Northerly and easterly to Connellsville postoffice

# LOVETT TO FILL PLACE OF LATE RAILROAD KING

**Harriman's Chief Lieutenant President of the Union Pacific Railroad**

NEW YORK Oct 21—Directors of the Union Pacific Railway today elected Judge Robert S Lovett president of the corporation to succeed the late E H Harriman The other retiring officers were re elected Three new vice presidents were added to the staff of the Union Pacific Lee Stubbs Julius Kruttschnitt and William Mahl

The election of Lovett and Kruttschnitt bears out the belief of Wall street that the roads controlled by Harriman will remain in the hands of his lieutenants Lovett was also elected president of the Oregon Short Line

**New Bank for Windber**

The new Windber Trust Company is to open on November 1.

# SOMERSET POULTRY SHOW DATES FIXED

**Will Last Four Days in the Old Court House at Somerset—Prizes $1,000**

SOMERSET Pa Oct 20—The third annual show of the Somerset Poultry and Pet Stock Association will be held in the temporary court house building on November 23 24 25 26 and it is expected that a larger number of entries will be on exhibition than at either of the previous shows The association has a large membership not only in Somerset but throughout the county The officers are James H Holdebaum President W Park Kooser Vice President Ed M Shaffer Secretary Charles J Harrison Jr Treasurer R M Weller Show Superintendent A D Shaffer clerk Charles McClave of New London O a poultry expert who has been judge at the two former shows will officiate in a like capacity at this show

The prizes which will be given at this show total in value $1,000 and are in the form of cash silver cups and special merchandise There are 25 silver cups ranging in value from $10 to $25 A number of these were offered by the association and a number of residents of Somerset

# GEORGE W. GREENWOOD WEDS MISS NELLIE HAYS

**Groom is Expert Mathematician and Has Held Several College Chairs in Past**

UNIONTOWN, Oct 20—George W Greenwood of Dunbar was married at high noon today to Miss Nellie Hays daughter of Rev and Mrs J W Hays The wedding took place in the parsonage of the Baptist Church Rev Hays performing the ceremony

Mr Greenwood is a son of Mrs George Greenwood of Dunbar He is a graduate of Oxford College England and an expert mathematician He has held chairs at McKendree College in Illinois and Salem College in Virginia At present he is employed by the United Fire Brick Company at Dunbar

Mrs Greenwood the bride is well known in Uniontown where she has a host of friends

# DAWSON WEDDING.

**B F Husband and Miss Lucy Thistlewaite Married Thursday**

DAWSON, Oct — A pretty wedding was solemnized Thursday afternoon at 4 o'clock at the home of Mr and Mrs Layton Forsythe Dawson, when Miss Lucy Thistlewaite and B F Husband were united in marriage the Rev H N Cirnahan pastor of the Cochran Memorial Church officiating It was a quiet affair Only the immediate friends of the couple were present A wedding dinner was served after which the couple left for the west on a short honeymoon They will go to housekeeping in Dawson on their return

The bride is well known in Dawson and has a host of friends She has made her home with Mr and Mrs Forsythe for the past few years having formerly lived in Smithton The groom is a son of Mr and Mrs David Husband and is employed by the Pittsburg & Lake Erie railroad as car inspector The railroad boys will give Jerry a rousing reception on his return home

Among the out of town guests present at the wedding were Mr and Mrs O C Schlig of Glenwood Mr and Mrs George Davis of Greensburg and Mr and Mrs John Shallenberger of Vanderbilt.

### GOOD ROADS PLAN

**Proposed to Build 200 Miles in Westmoreland County**

IRWIN Pa Oct 21—Thirty five members of the Westmoreland County Good Roads Association travelled yesterday in automobiles to Pittsburg where the Allegheny county commissioners were visited Plans to have a tour of inspection was tendered to Dr Charles L Taylor Vice President of the Good Roads Association Plans will be formulated for the construction of 200 miles of good roads in Westmoreland county and plans will be submitted at a meeting of the association at Latrobe next month

### WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

**Of Mr and Mrs George Cohen Celebrated at Dickerson Run**

Mr and Mrs George Cohen of McKees Rocks celebrated their wedding anniversary Wednesday evening at the home of Mr and Mrs Thomas Irwin at Dickerson Run Mr Cohen is a well known Pittsburg & Lake Erie engineer and for several years has hauled local freight He is popular among the railroad men and has a wide circle of friends in and about Dickerson Run At 10 o'clock a well appointed luncheon was served

Among the guests present were Mr and Mrs J F Black Mrs Cohen and daughter Miss Jessie Mrs John Livengood Miss Wardell and George Livengood

# REORGANIZATION OF ICE COMPANIES.

**West Penn and Crystal Company Plants Under Same Management.**

**IMPROVEMENTS TO BE MADE**

**At the Old Eighth Street Plant Which Will Continue to Manufacture Ice Better Service is Assured Patrons Next Summer**

The reorganization of the consolidated ice companies of Connellsville was made this week The name of West Penn Cold Storage Company will succeed that of the Youghiogheny Crystal Ice Company and the two plants will be hereafter conducted under one management F M Husband was elected President of the consolidation J B Echard Vice President J T Johnson Treasurer J M Richards Jr Secretary and Frank Husband manager

The other stockholders of the concern are W W Smith Mrs Margaret Echard D B Evans and C I Work The new organization will at once improve conditions about the old plant on Eighth street The wells and machinery will be overhauled and put in to the best working order The plants will continue the manufacture of ice and wagons will be run from both houses Better service will be assured the patrons hereafter and the new management will make every effort to popularize the new West Penn

# B. & O. MATRON ELOPES TO YOUNGSTOWN, OHIO

**Miss Margaret M Gaus and D C Wadding Were Married There Wednesday**

Miss Margaret M Gaus matron at the Baltimore & Ohio depot for the past three years and D C Wadding a well known B & O fireman eloped to Youngstown O Wednesday morning and were married The bride is a daughter of Mrs John Detemple Sr and is well known in Connellsville The bridegroom is a son of Mr and Mrs William Wadding of Dayton O and has been in the employ of the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad Company for the past four years

The announcement of the marriage came as a surprise to the many friends of the young couple The brides friends were under the impression that she had gone to Pittsburg for a days visit with friends On their return home last evening they announced their marriage They will reside in Connellsville As yet a matron to succeed Mrs Wanding has not been chosen

# WAS FLOWER GIRL FOR LAFAYETTE IN 1825

**Mrs Johanna Ross, Aged 93 Dies at Masontown After Long Career**

UNIONTOWN Oct 22—One of the oldest women in the county and the sole surviving flower girl of those who waited upon General Lafayette during his visit to this county in 1825 died this morning at Masontown She was Mrs Johanna Ross aged 93

Mrs Ross was widely known in her community She enjoyed splendid health up to the last few weeks when her breakdown came She had read the Bible through 20 different times It was at Friendship Hill in 1825 that Mrs Ross then seven years of age acted as one of the flower girls who scattered roses along the path of the great Frenchman

### TO RECORD CHARTER

**Of New Slavish Educational Society at Dunbar**

The charter of the Slavish American Educational Association of Dunbar township was filed in Uniontown Saturday for record Twenty six names are on the petition to the court The objects of the association are John Jesko John Petrel Joseph Cipecki Andrew Modes and Joseph Sehe all of Dunbar

**Ward Division of German**

Viewers have been appointed to act on a petition for the division of German township No 6

# SOMERSET JURORS.

**Panels Drawn for Regular Term of Criminal Court**

SOMERSET Pa Oct 21—The following grand jurors have been drawn to serve at the regular December term of Criminal Court beginning on December 6

Francis M Jeffries farmer New Baltimore
S F Saylor farmer Allegheny township
J L Stern merchant Somerset
Milton Shaffer farmer Brothersvalley township
Philip Livengood farmer Elk Lick township
William Mishler farmer Upper Turkeyfoot township
Harvey Teach farmer Addison township
William M Gnagey farmer Summit township
Albert Saylor Elk Lick Salisbury
Frank Hoffman farmer Fairhope township
Harry F Yoder farmer Conemaugh township
Norman F Miller merchant Meyersdale
Frank Schrock laborer Black township
Joseph Miller carpenter Conemaugh township
J C Lapham merchant Casselman
Joseph M Miller laborer Somerset township
William Groff carpenter Meyersdale
Stephen Thomas farmer Conemaugh township
S J Miller farmer Elk Lick township
Henry W Hodge farmer Allegheny township
N H Walker farmer Conemaugh township
J F Stutzman Paint township
J D Snyder baker Rockwood
Manuel Heintzelman Somerset borough

The following named 50 petit jurors will serve at the December term of Criminal Court

H Miller farmer Brothersvalley township
Levi Stevens farmer Conemaugh township
Frank Yoder farmer Somerset township
Harry Baer farmer Meyersdale
J M Walker farmer Summit township
F M Miller farmer Addison
Samuel Miller farmer Allegheny township
P J Hill merchant Meyersdale
Joseph Shaffer farmer Summit township
J M Rhodes farmer Conemaugh township
David Mock Jr farmer Conemaugh township
P J Sanitry laborer Jefferson township
Albert Grove laborer Black township
Samuel Lerew farmer Jenner
Lewis Koontz laborer Meyersdale
G W Kerr mine laborer Brothersvalley township
William Kline physician Conemaugh township
Frank Clark farmer Jenner
J J Kerr laborer Conemaugh township
H A Troxell foreman Windber
Walter Wisler laborer Elk Lick township
N S Baker carpenter Rockwood
C A Swihart teacher Milford
Walter Hay teamster Brothersvalley
J Arnold Hostetler Meyersdale
D H Whitaker laborer Ogle
Charles C Lichty retired Somerset township
William H Hay magistrate Meyersdale
Samuel S Crotsley Shanksville Somerset borough
Milan Scott laborer Berlin
Robert Hull minister Jefferson township
Jacob H Martz farmer Southampton
William Brant farmer Brothersvalley township
W F Hoblitzell operator Meyersdale
J A Hite farmer Somerset township
C W Kimmingner merchant Berlin
Harry Shaffer farmer Quemahoning township
Daniel Ault farmer Berlin
Ross Colborn magistrate Windber
A J Hillegass marble cutter Berlin
Jeremiah Berkebile farmer Quemahoning township
William J Lantzer printer Somerset borough
S S Miller retired Somerset
W H Bittner farmer Stoystown
William C High farmer Jenner township
John O Rhoades farmer Berlin
C C Hartman carpenter, Brothersvalley township
John Weighley laborer Somerset borough
J H Decker farmer Somerset township

The following jurors have been drawn to serve at a term of Civil Court beginning on November 15 the second week of the term beginning on November 28

Silas C Bittner farmer Lincoln township
John Saylor farmer, Middlecreek township
Marshall Hoover farmer Addison
Harvey J Cramer farmer Middlecreek
Lewis Lichtenthaler Paint township
H J Meyers farmer Brothersvalley township
Lloyd C Shafer farmer Jenner township
Charles L Barr farmer Quemahoning township
William F Lint farmer Lincoln township
Jacob Schaulis plasterer Stoystown
E A Winters clerk Salisbury
Alex B Graff farmer Somerset
Philip Benford wagon maker Somerset township
J W Beachy merchant Jefferson
Harry Hetzel farmer Larimer
A J Mostoller farmer Stonycreek
Edward Coleman painter Somerset township
Charles Pfitt merchant Meyersdale
Walter Hay farmer Jenner
Elmer J Miller farmer, Milford township
J C Weller farmer Milford township
P J Weimer clerk Rockwood
Henry Fisher farmer Jenner township
Henry H Miller farmer Brothersvalley
Lloyd Rendel miner Benson
William J Lichty farmer Allegheny township
Calvin Lohr Jr farmer Conemaugh
W M Saylor farmer Conemaugh township
F M Rummel farmer Paint township
William C Thomas contractor Meyersdale
Harry Engle stonemason Salisbury
Frank Murphy farmer Greenville township
William Shultz farmer Greenville township
John P Saylor farmer Summit township
George P Brubaker coal operator Berlin
Bruce D Dickey laborer Summit township
Levi M Thomas farmer Conemaugh township
A J Miller farmer Milford township
William Lowery farmer Elk Lick township
John O Brant farmer Jenner township
Frank B Black operator Meyersdale
C B Crome laborer Addison township
John L Weaver laborer Conemaugh township
John J Raymond farmer Stonycreek township

The following jurors will serve during the week commencing November 29

Henry Meyer farmer Conemaugh township
W H Yost reporter Windber
William G Stahl farmer Somerset township
H B Watson salesman Confluence
I B Lehr farmer Upper Turkeyfoot
James S Hauger farmer Brothersvalley township
Philip Spicher, farmer Lincoln township
Samuel J Saylor farmer Summit township
W H Felton farmer Allegheny township
John Cartright miner Meyersdale
William Johnston fiber Quemahoning township
Harvey Beachy farmer Elk Lick township
Frank M Walker merchant Berlin
I W Saylor painter Somerset boro
George F Friend farmer Brothersvalley township
Elmer Schrock carpenter Middlecreek township
David Weller farmer Somerset township
H P Adams farmer Somerset township
W B Cook laborer Shade township
John Hindman laborer Windber
C C Naugle merchant Meyersdale
Jacob D Berkey retired Berlin
William G Miller farmer Milford township
Harrison Schrock laborer Casselman
J Z Cable laborer Rockwood
Bruce Matthews magistrate Jenner township
J W Benford merchant Elk Lick township
J S Horner mill laborer Addison township
Ira Rosenberger farmer Meyersdale
Silas Savage laborer Allegheny township
George Meyers farmer Somerset township
G H Baumgardner butcher Paint borough
Dennis Werner farmer Northampton
John H Bender farmer Elk Lick
F J Hartley merchant Meyersdale
Theodore Merryman carpenter Meyersdale
Paul P Baker clerk Somerset
J B Miller farmer Northampton
J B Yoder farmer Salisbury
John A Barcus farmer Somerset township
Thomas Williams farmer Upper Turkeyfoot township
J A Hounsberger cigar maker Windber
William H Seibert, laborer Elk Lick township
Henry Beckes farmer Summit township
George B Reitz farmer Somerset township

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## PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION SUBMITTED TO THE CITIZENS OF THIS COMMONWEALTH FOR THEIR APPROVAL OR REJECTION BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA AND ESTABLISHED BY ACT 246 OF THE SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH IN PURSUANCE OF ARTICLE XVIII OF THE CONSTITUTION

A JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing amendment (sections eight and twenty one of article four sections eleven and twelve of article five sections two three and four term of article eight section one of article twelve and sections two and seven of article fourteen of the Constitution of Pennsylvania and providing a schedule for carrying the amendments into effect

Section 1 Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met That the following are proposed as amendments to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in accordance with the provisions of the eighteenth article thereof

Amendment One—To Article Four Section Eight

Section 2 Amend section eight of article four of the Constitution of Pennsylvania which reads as follows—

He shall nominate and by and with the advice and consent of two thirds of all the members of the Senate appoint a Secretary of the Commonwealth and an Attorney General during pleasure a Superintendent of Public Instruction for four years and such other officers of the Commonwealth as he is or may be authorized by the Constitution or by law to appoint he shall have power to fill all vacancies that may happen in offices to which he may appoint during the recess of the Senate by granting commissions which shall expire at the end of their next session he shall have power to fill any vacancy that may happen during the recess of the Senate in the office of Auditor General State Treasurer Secretary of Internal Affairs Superintendent of Public Instruction in a judicial office or in any other elective office which he is or may be authorized to fill if the vacancy shall happen during the session of the Senate the Governor shall nominate to the Senate before the final adjournment a proper person to fill said vacancy but in any such case of vacancy in an elective office a person shall be chosen to said office at the next general election unless the vacancy shall happen within three calendar months immediately preceding such election in which case the election to said office shall be held at the second succeeding general election In acting on executive nominations the Senate shall sit with open doors and in confirming or rejecting the nominations of the Governor the vote shall be taken by yeas and nays and shall be entered on the journal so as to read as follows—

He shall nominate and by and with the advice and consent of two thirds of all the members of the Senate appoint a Secretary of the Commonwealth an Attorney General and a Superintendent of Public Instruction for four years and such other officers of the Commonwealth as he is or may be authorized by the Constitution or by law to appoint he shall have power to fill all vacancies that may happen during the recess of the Senate by granting commissions which shall expire at the end of their next session he shall have power to fill any vacancy that may happen during the recess of the Senate in the office of Auditor General State Treasurer Secretary of Internal Affairs or Superintendent of Public Instruction in a judicial office or in any other elective office which he is or may be authorized to fill, if the vacancy shall happen during the session of the Senate the Governor shall nominate to the Senate before the final adjournment a proper person to fill such vacancy but in any such case of vacancy in an elective office a person shall be chosen to fill the unexpired term at the next election day appropriate to such office according to the provisions of this Constitution unless the vacancy shall happen within two calendar months immediately preceding such election in which case the election for said office shall be held on the second succeeding election day appropriate to such office In acting on executive nominations the Senate shall sit with open doors and in confirming or rejecting the nominations of the Governor the vote shall be taken by yeas and nays and shall be entered on the journal

Amendment Two—To Article Four Section Twenty one

Section 1 Amend section twenty one of article four which reads as follows

The term of the Secretary of Internal Affairs shall be four years of the Auditor General three years and of the State Treasurer two years These officers shall be chosen by the qualified electors of the State at the general election No person elected to the office of Auditor General or State Treasurer shall be capable of holding the same office for two consecutive terms so as to read—

The terms of the Secretary of Internal Affairs the Auditor General and the State Treasurer shall each be four years and they shall be chosen by the qualified electors of the State at the general election The State Treasurer elected in the year one hundred and nine hundred and nine shall serve for three years and his successors shall be elected at the general election in the year one thousand nine hundred and twelve and in every fourth year thereafter No person elected to the office of Auditor General or State Treasurer shall be capable of holding the same office for two consecutive terms

Amendment Three—To Article Five, Section Eleven

Section 4 Amend section eleven of article five which reads as follows

Except as otherwise provided in the Constitution justices of the peace aldermen shall be elected in the several wards districts boroughs and townships at the time of electing the members of the township boroughs and ward officers for the term of six years Not more than two justices of the peace or aldermen shall be elected in any ward township or borough shall elect more than two justices of the peace or aldermen without the consent of a majority of the qualified electors within such township ward or borough no person shall be elected to such office unless he shall have resided within the township borough ward or district for one year next preceding his election In cities containing a population of 100,000 inhabitants or more one alderman shall be elected in each ward or district so as to read—

Except as otherwise provided in this Constitution justices of the peace or aldermen shall be elected in the several ward district boroughs or township by the qualified electors of the municipal election in such manner as shall be directed by law and shall be commissioned by the Governor for a term of six years Not more than two justices of the peace or aldermen shall be elected in any ward district or borough shall elect more than two justices of the peace or aldermen without the consent of a majority of the qualified electors within such township ward or borough no person shall be elected to such office unless he shall have resided within the township borough ward or district for one year next preceding his election In cities containing a population of 100,000 inhabitants or more one alderman shall be elected in each ward or district so as to read—

Amendment Four—To Article Five Section Twelve

Section 1 Amend section twelve of article five of the Constitution which reads as follows—

In Philadelphia there shall be established not more than thirty thousand inhabitants one court of record of police and civil cases with jurisdiction not exceeding one hundred dollars such courts shall be composed of magistrates whose term of office shall be six years and they shall be elected on a separate ticket at the municipal election by the qualified voters at large and in the election of the said magistrates no voter shall vote for more than two thirds of the number of persons to be elected when more than one are to be chosen they shall be compensated by fixed salaries to be paid by the city and shall exercise such jurisdiction civil and criminal except as herein provided as is now exercised by all magistrates subject to such changes not involving an increase of civil jurisdiction or conferring political duties as may be made by law In Philadelphia the office of alderman is abolished

Amendment Five—To Article Eight, Section Two

Section 6 Amend section two of article eight which reads as follows—

The general election shall be held annually on the Tuesday next following the first Monday of November but the General Assembly may by law fix a different day two thirds of all the members of each House concurring their votes to read—

The general election shall be held annually on the Tuesday next following the first Monday of November in each even numbered year but the General Assembly may by law fix a different day two thirds of all the members of each House concurring therein Provided That such election shall always be held in an even numbered year

Amendment Six—To Article Eight Section Five

Section 7 Amend section three of article eight which reads as follows—

All elections for city ward borough and township officers for regular terms of service shall be held on the third Tuesday of February so as to read—

All elections for city ward borough and township officers for regular terms of service shall be held on the third Tuesday of February so as to read—

All judges of the courts of the several judicial districts and also all county officers shall be elected at the general election next preceding the expiration of the terms of office now provided by law and shall be commissioned by the Governor for a term of six years Township ward district or borough officers shall be elected on the municipal election day except when in either case special elections may be required to fill unexpired terms

Amendment Seven—To Article Eight Section Five

Section 8 Amend section fourteen of article eight which reads as follows—

District election boards shall consist of a judge and two inspectors who shall be chosen annually by the citizens Each elector shall have the right to vote for the judge and one inspector and each inspector shall appoint one clerk The first election board for any new district shall be elected and vacancies in election boards filled as shall be provided by law Electors shall be privileged from arrest upon days of election and while engaged in making up and transmitting returns except upon warrant of a court of record or judge thereof for an election fraud for felony or for wanton breach of the peace In cities they may claim exemption from jury duty during their terms of service so as to read—

District election boards shall consist of a judge and two inspectors who shall be chosen annually by the citizens Each elector shall have the right to vote for the judge and one inspector and each inspector shall appoint one clerk The first election board for any new district shall be selected and vacancies in election boards filled as shall be provided by law Election officers shall be privileged from arrest upon days of election and while engaged in making up and transmitting returns except upon warrant of a court of record or judge thereof for an election fraud for felony or for wanton breach of the peace In cities they may claim exemption from jury duty during their terms of service

Amendment Eight—To Article Twelve, Section One

Section 1 Amend section one article twelve which reads as follows

All officers whose election is not provided for in this Constitution shall be elected or appointed as may be directed by law, so as to read—

All officers whose election is not provided for in this Constitution shall be elected or appointed as may be directed by law Provided, That elections of state officers shall be held on a general election day and elections of local officers shall be held on a municipal election day except when in either case special elections may be required to fill unexpired terms

Amendment Nine—To Article Fourteen, Section Two

Section 11 Amend section two of article fourteen which reads as follows

County officers shall be elected at the general elections and shall hold their offices for the term of three years beginning on the first Monday of January next after their election and until their successors shall be duly qualified all vacancies not otherwise provided for shall be filled in such manner as may be provided by law,' so as to read

County officers shall be elected at the municipal elections and shall hold their offices for the term of four years, beginning on the first Monday of January next after their election and until their successors shall be duly qualified all vacancies not otherwise provided for shall be filled in such manner as may be provided by law

Amendment Ten—To Article Fourteen Section Seven

Section 13 Amend section seven article fourteen which reads as follows

Three county commissioners and three county auditors shall be elected in each county where such officers are chosen in the year one thousand eight hundred and seventy-five and every third year thereafter and in the election of said officers each qualified elector shall vote for no more than two persons and the three persons having the highest number of votes shall be elected any casual vacancy in the office of county commissioner or county auditor shall be filled by the court of common pleas of the county in which such vacancy shall occur by the appointment of an elector of the proper county who shall have voted for the commissioner or auditor whose place is to be filled so as to read

Three county commissioners and three county auditors shall be elected in each county where such officers are chosen in the year one thousand nine hundred and eleven and every fourth year thereafter and in the election of said officers each qualified elector shall vote for no more than two persons and the three persons having the highest number of votes shall be elected any casual vacancy in the office of county commissioner or county auditor shall be filled by the court of common pleas of the county in which such vacancy shall occur by the appointment of an elector of the proper county who shall have voted for the commissioner or auditor whose place is to be filled

Schedule for the Amendments

Section 1 That no inconvenience may arise from the changes in the Constitution of the Commonwealth and in order to carry the same into complete operation it is hereby declared that—

In the case of officers elected by the people all terms of office fixed by act of Assembly to an odd number of years shall be lengthened one year but the Legislature may change the length of such term provided the terms for which said officers are elected shall always be for an even number of years.

The above extension of official terms shall not affect officers elected at the general election of one thousand nine hundred and eight nor any city ward borough township or election division officers whose terms of office under existing law end in the year one thousand nine hundred and ten

In the year one thousand nine hundred and ten the municipal election shall be held on the third Tuesday of February as heretofore but all officers chosen at that election to an office the regular term of which is two years, and also all election officers and assessors chosen at that election shall serve until the first Monday of December in the year one thousand nine hundred and eleven All officers chosen at that election to offices the term of which is now four years or is made four years by the operation of these amendments or this schedule shall serve until the first Monday of December in the year one thousand nine hundred and thirteen All justices of the peace magistrates and aldermen chosen at the election shall serve until the first Monday of December in the year one thousand nine hundred and fifteen After the year nineteen hundred and ten and until the Legislature shall otherwise provide all terms of city ward borough township and election division officers shall begin on the first Monday of December in an odd numbered year

All city ward borough and township officers holding office at the date of the approval of these amendments whose terms of office may end in the year one thousand nine hundred and eleven shall continue to hold their offices until the first Monday of December of that year

All judges of the courts for the several judicial districts and also all county officers holding office at the date of the approval of these amendments whose terms of office may end in the year nineteen hundred and eleven shall continue to hold their offices until the first Monday of January one thousand nine hundred and twelve

A true copy of the Joint Resolution.

ROBERT McAFEE,
Secretary of the Commonwealth.

# HUMBERT MILL IS TO RESUME IN FULL WITHIN SIXTY DAYS.

**Official Announcement Was Made Thursday by District Manager Robert Skemp.**

## CHAMBER OF COMMERCE DID IT

**Plant Will Be Run as an Open Mill and Will Mean Disbursement of About $40,000 a Month in Connellsville. Idle Five Years.**

The plant of the American Sheet & Tin Plate Company at South Connellsville will start operations in full with in 60 days. That is the official announcement made by the company Friday evening by Robert Skemp of Scottdale, district manager for the company. To the reorganized and rejuvenated Chamber of Commerce of Connellsville is due credit for this announcement from the company that the old Humbert mill is again to resume work. The outlook at present is that there is steady work ahead for the mill for a year. There are six hot mills at the South Connellsville plant which employ between 300 and 150 men, boys and girls, the latter in the tin house, when in full operation.

About two weeks ago the Chamber of Commerce took up the matter of interesting the management of the American Sheet & Tin Plate Company in the resumption of the Humbert mill. They went about it energetically, but quietly. The following letter under date of October 11 was sent A. W. Pargny, President of the company, whose headquarters are in Pittsburg, by Secretary J Fred Kurtz of the Chamber of Commerce:

There never was an industry that made so much money for the people of Connellsville as the Humbert plant of the American Sheet & Tin Plate Company.

There never was an industry that the people hated to see cease active operations as the tin plate mill.

There never was an industry that was wished to start up again so sincerely as your plant at South Connellsville.

Speaking for the town at large, I assure you that every possible effort would be made by the citizens of Connellsville to assist you *in every way within their power* to not only start this mill but to keep it in full and active operation continually.

Is there anything we can do?

Will you be candid with me, and state whether or not the main difficulty lies with Connellsville and its people, or is the trouble entirely beyond our assistance?

We want to help you, if we can. We want the Humbert plant to again help swell the coffers of the business men of the town—the trouble is we don't just know how to start or where to begin.

The Chamber of Commerce of Greater Connellsville has just been reorganized it is composed of representative men; its main object is to bring new industries to this city. But there is not a man who does not admit that the most desirable thing we could do would be to aid you (always providing, sir, that we can aid you) in starting up the Humbert mill.

District Manager Skemp Friday afternoon came to Connellsville and at a conference held with Worth Kilpatrick, President of the Chamber of Commerce, Secretary Kurtz and E T. Norton, a director, announced that the company had given immediate consideration to the letter of the Chamber of Commerce and had reached a final decision to start the Humbert plant. Manager Skemp said the management of the company has taken the Connellsville people, through the Chamber of Commerce, at their word. All the company asks is that it be permitted to operate the plant under the same policy in force at its mills in other places. Representatives of the company were sent to South Connellsville and made a thorough inspection of the mill. They reported in detail on its condition. To place it in shape for full operation some machinery that has been taken away to other plants since the mill shut down will have to be replaced, a number of minor improvements will be made, the railroad siding will be repaired, supplies will have to be laid in and a full complement of skilled men secured To do this, putting the mill in shape for a run of three turns a day, the management estimates that about two months time will be necessary. The work may be completed a little before that, but Manager Skemp stated yesterday that the mill will be in full operation before the first of the year.

The mill will be operated as an open one, the same as the Morgantown and Scottdale plants. All the company asks is that employes of the mill shall not be molested or interfered with in any way going to or coming from their work. There is an overwhelming sentiment in town to respect the wishes of the company in this respect Practically all of the union employes of the Humbert mill are now working in open mills of the American Sheet & Tin Plate Company, chiefly at Mogantown and Sharon. Both the Scottdale mills are open plants it is thought that many of the old employes at South Connellsville will return, quite a number of them owning property there. The company figures that it can run the Humbert plant successfully. There is a likely possibility also that once it is demonstrated that the plant can be successfully and smoothly operated it will be increased in size.

The semi-monthly pay roll at the Humbert plant runs between $18,000 and $20,000, or close to $40,000 a month. These figures are based on the operation of the plant in full, employing about 300 hands The Humbert mill has been idle about five years.

## THE LIQUOR QUESTION AT COKE WORKS

**Discussed at Banquet of Coke Operators Last Night—Judge Umbel's Suggestions.**

The wholesale delivery of intoxicating liquors to coke plants was the subject of exhaustive discussion at the banquet given by the Coke Producers' Association at the Country Club, at Uniontown last night. The question was not solved, but it is probable that the Association will make every effort to bring about better conditions.

The banquet was one of the most pleasant social gatherings that the members have ever held. O. W. Kennedy, of the Olent Coal & Coke Company, presided as toastmaster. In his usual pleasant manner he kept things going while the delicacies were being enjoyed after which he very interestingly introduced a number of speakers. Among them were George Whyel, J. P. Brennan, L W Fogg, George D. Howell, W. A Stone, E. D Fulton, A. Plummer Austin, James R Cray, Thomas McCaffrey, F. G. Keighley and F. K. Moore, the latter of Cleveland.

The principal address of the evening was made by Judge Robert E Umbel. He touched upon the brightening business conditions for the operators and expressed the hope and belief that they would continue Mr Moore had touched upon the topic of the wholesale delivery of intoxicants to plants and after his discourse Judge Umbel was asked to give his views upon the question. He said that he favored the suggestion made by Mr. Moore of Cleveland, which was to the effect that a committee of the producers be appointed to visit the industrial sections of the country, not alone in the Pittsburg district but in the anthracite regions as well, and to learn how the question is being handled by the communities affected Judge Umbel made the further suggestion that this committee, after making its investigations, should report to the Producers Association and that the association should formulate its recommendations and make them to the authorities.

Those present were: J. E. Hess, C E Bortz, George H. Bortz, Edward Porter, H. R. Sackett, James Henderson, W. W. Parshall, W. A. Stone, W H E. Royce, I. W Seamans, C. S Hempstead, E H. Fowler, F. R Truesdale, T. Blair Palmer, F C. Keighley, I H Brownfield, Frank Newhall R W. Gilmore, A. Plumer Austin, M D. Flannigan, John P. Hoover, James Abraham, D. B Stauft, W H. Wilkey, S. C Carson, O W. Kennedy, C B Ferree, John Shultz, R. E Umbel, E W. Sterling, D. W McDonald, W. L Graham, F. K Moore, R. M. Fry, J. S. Amend, Jacob H Lynn, James R. Cray, J. Edgar Hustead, George E. Gay, George Whyel, John P Brennen, C. M. Shank, William Allison, W F Soisson, G S. Hatah, E D Fulton Thomas McCaffrey, George B. Irvin, Harry Whyel, Guy B Gilmore, L. W. Fogg, George D. Howell, W. G. Rock and John C Neff.

## RAILROADS PROMISE TO GIVE RELIEF

**State Commission Secures Better Service for Western Pennsylvania Localities.**

HARRISBURG Pa., Oct 21—The State Railroad Commission yesterday disposed of 15 cases, securing in five relief for the complainants and dismissing several other complaints on the ground that the allegations were not sustained or that it would be impossible to comply with them.

The Baltimore & Ohio railroad agrees to continue operation of a line between Niverton and Worth, Somerset county after complaint by L. T Brandon and others; the same company agreed to re-establish passenger service on its Smithfield & Masontown branch on application of Ralph Ross and others.

### AT $205 PER ACRE.

**Pittsburgers Are Buying Coal in Whiteley Township, Greene County.**

WAYNESBURG, Oct. 22.—Jacob Patterson has just closed a coal deal whereby Pittsburg parties become the owners of 212 acres of Whiteley township coal at $205 per acre. The acreage includes the George Patterson tract of 136 acres and the Frank Shriver farm of 76 acres Mr. Patterson went to Mt. Clemens today to get the signature of Spencer B Kent, who has a half interest in the coal.

### Pigs Barred at Indiana.

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### COAL AT $1,000 AN ACRE.

**Property of Luke F. Patterson, a Bankrupt, is Sold.**

UNIONTOWN, Oct. 22—The property of Luke F. Patterson, a bankrupt, was sold by Attorney David E Bane, trustee yesterday The property consisted of one-half acre of Pittsburg coal in North Union township, the Warwick mill property one-half mile west of the county home, and the Nathan Wood property, one mile east of Searight and on the pike. The coal was sold at the court house in the morning and brought $500 Ash F Williams, clerk in the prothonotarys office, was the purchaser.

The other properties were not sold until later, the sale of each taking place on the premises.

### B. & O. SHOWS INCREASE.

**In Earnings During September Last Compared With 1908.**

An increase in net earnings for September and for the three months of the fiscal year, as compared with the corresponding periods of 1908 are shown in a statement issued yesterday by the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad Company The report for September shows: Gross earnings, 1909, $7,767,838, 1908 $6,668,412, increase $1,099,121

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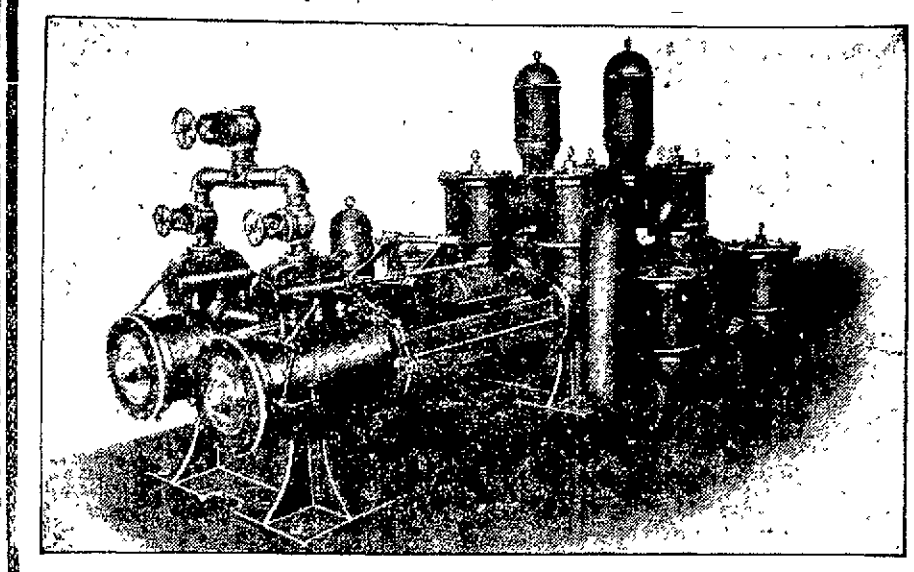

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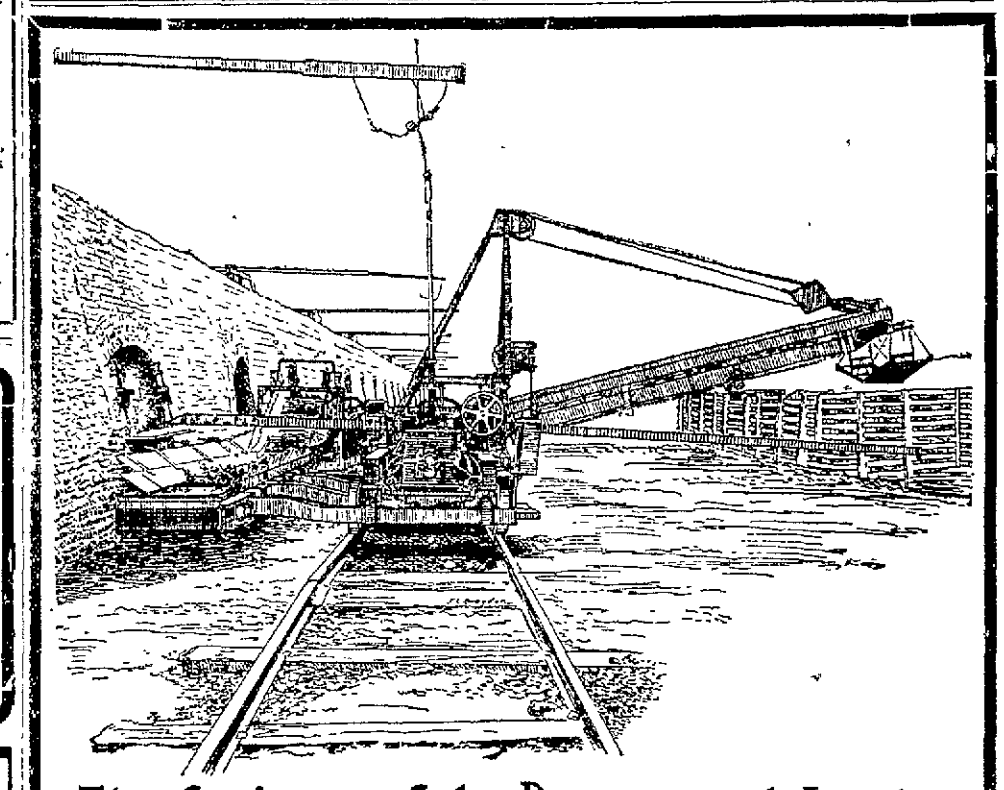

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